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DRIVE IN BELGIUM ALLIES' ANSWER TO ENEMY'S EFFORTS

BATTLE ON FRONT OF ITALIANS CONTINUES; REDISPOSITION MADE

Withdrawal of Cadorna's Troops on a Sector Necessitates Evacuation of Bainsizza Plateau; Claims Made To-day by Berlin War Office

Rome, Oct. 26.—Under the Austro-German pressure on the Isonzo front, the Italians have withdrawn their lines to the border in one sector and are preparing for the evacuation of the Bainsizza Plateau, the War Office here announced to-day in the following report:

"The hostile offensive against our left wing on the Julian front continued Wednesday night and yesterday, conducted by powerful forces. From Monte Maggiore to the west of Auzza we have withdrawn on our boundary line, in consequence of which we had to provide an evacuation of the Bainsizza Plateau.

"East of Gorizia and on the Carso the situation is unchanged. "Ten enemy aeroplanes were brought down or forced to land by our aviators yesterday."

Berlin, Oct. 26.—The Austro-Germans in their offensive on the Isonzo front have captured more than 30,000 Italians, the War Office here announced to-day. More than 200 guns also were taken.

At many places the Germans are now fighting on Italian territory, the announcement says, adding that the northern wing of the Second Italian Army has been defeated and is retreating. German divisions are advancing beyond Karfreit and Ronzina. (Both Karfreit and Ronzina are on the west bank of the Isonzo. Karfreit is in the sector north of Tolmino and Ronzina is on the front south of that city.)

The German forces passed beyond their objectives, the announcement says, and threw the Italians from strong rear hill positions. The Italians have begun to evacuate the Bainsizza-Hillegelst plateau.

EXPLODING SHRAPNEL ENDANGERED WORKERS

But No Loss of Lives in Fire in Plant in Quebec

Montreal, Oct. 26.—The shell-loading plant of the Canadian Explosives Company at Ile Perrot, near Verdun, Que., was destroyed by fire and explosions this morning with a loss of \$1,500,000. The fire was started by a spark from an electric motor. A small explosion gave the 1,500 employees in the plant a warning which was at once heeded. There was no loss of life, two men being slightly injured.

The fire began at 7 o'clock just after the employees had begun work. The first explosion wrecked the part of the plant where it occurred and the high wind threw burning fragments to adjoining buildings and store rooms. In the latter were stored a large number of loaded shells and a quantity of powder. These exploded with tremendous detonations which were heard miles away.

Exploding shrapnel shattered the woods nearby in which the employees had taken refuge and many of them had narrow escapes. Windows in farmhouses within a radius of three miles were broken.

Help in the form of fire engines and hose was rushed from Montreal, but the burning plant could not be saved and was practically destroyed by the flames.

The fire brigade of the Canadian Explosives Company plant tried to cope with the situation, but the steam pumping house soon caught fire and the water tank ran dry soon after the first explosion occurred.

An act of gallantry was performed by a Canadian Pacific Railway switch crew, comprised of Engineer Pumphrey, Conductor Brantford, Fireman Gauthier and Brakemen Sproule and Boulger. They ran their train close to the blazing storehouses, coupled a train loaded with completed shells and pulled the cars to a place of safety.

This crew also removed 20 cars of miscellaneous material and took in empty cars so that additional material could be loaded. All the time powder and shells were exploding, some shells being hurled into the St. Lawrence River and bursting amidst showers of spray.

ONE-MAN CARS.

Saskatoon, Oct. 26.—This city will see considerable legislation from the Saskatchewan Legislature when it meets in November. One of the things it wants is authority to run one-man street cars.

Suggest Change to Benefit Patriotic Fund of the Nation

Ottawa, Oct. 26.—Sir Herbert Ames headed a delegation from the Canadian Patriotic Fund which waited on the Prime Minister and the Minister of Finance to-day. The principal suggestion made by the delegation, it was stated, was that where a contribution has been made to the Patriotic Fund in 1917 it should be rebated as income tax.

German Withdrawal in the Riga Region is Still Under Way

Petrograd, Oct. 26.—The Russian troops on the northern end of the front, following the Germans in their withdrawal in that sector, have advanced as far as the Riga-Orel railway without discovering the enemy, the War Office here reports.

TEN MORE VESSELS WILL BE BUILT IN VICTORIA FOR PRIVATE INTERESTS

Ten additional wooden vessels will be built here by the Cameron-Genoa Mills Shipbuilders, Ltd., with the materialization of negotiations which are now in progress with French shipping interests. It was officially announced to-day that plans have already been formulated for the laying down of three more building slips at the Point Ellice shipyard to take care of the new contracts.

H. W. Brown, of H. W. Brown & Co., managers for the Canada West Coast Navigation Company, which concern built twelve auxiliary schooners on this coast, is now in design to the five-masted vessels which have already been built by the company, and four steamers of the same type now under way at this plant for the Imperial Maritime Board. French and American capital is at the back of the new building scheme, and within the next few days some definite announcement should be available regarding the proposed contracts.

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SMASHING BLOWS ON WEST FRONT BRING RETIREMENT OF GERMAN FORCES NEAR

London, Oct. 26.—From the heights of the Aisne the German Crown Prince is being driven back relentlessly toward the fortress of Laon and perhaps to a general retreat along the line from the St. Quentin region to the Champagne. His strongholds wrenched from him, 12,000 of his troops, prisoners, many thousands slain and wounded, and 120 big guns lost, the predicament of the Crown Prince is most serious.

General Petain's great smash of Tuesday opened the way for further advances, and on Thursday, under French pressure, the Germans were forced back to the Oise-Aisne Canal, evacuating valuable positions in their retreat. More than 2,000 additional prisoners and many big guns fell into French hands.

Laon, the fortress at the southern end of the "Hindenburg Line" is now but 8 miles from the French lines and Petain's big guns can smash it at will. East of Chavignon, the centre of the French advance stretches to the Ailette River, on the southern bank of which the Germans have been fighting desperately to hold back the French for several months. From the newly-captured positions the French can sweep the German defences with torrents of artillery fire.

Every foot gained by General Petain in the Chavignon salient weakens the line northward through La Fere to St. Quentin. The French already are on three sides of La Fere, and St. Quentin has all but fallen into Allied hands several times since the German retreat of last spring. A retirement from St. Quentin and La Fere to a line running north from Laon would endanger the entire German position on the western front as far north as Ypres. Probably the two most important salients on the western front from the sea to Verdun are those east of Ypres and southwest of Laon. Field-Marshal Haig is hammering at one and General Petain is smashing through the other. A German retirement all along the line might result in surprising eventualities and there are reports from Germany that such action is not outside the realm of possibilities.

The most drastic part of the regulations perhaps is that dealing with cases of emergency, when the Fuel Controller will have power to requisition any quantity of coal in the possession of any consumer in excess of the legal supply permitted under the regulations. It is not the intention of the Fuel Controller to disturb those who have their winter supply of fuel laid in, except in cases of emergency when the public interest may demand that they share the excess supply with their neighbors. In working out this part of the regulations, the mayor, reeve, warden or overseer of any municipality may be made the agent of the Fuel Controller.

A provision of the regulations is that no charge shall be laid against any coal dealer of broker without the facts first being submitted to the Fuel Controller and his consent in writing obtained. This is to avoid frivolous complaints and to enable the Fuel Controller to consider complaints in the light of information as to costs in his possession or to enable him to get further evidence so as to insure that no prosecution is made without there being real grounds for such action.

The regulations also set forth the method to be adopted by wholesale and retail dealers to arrive at the cost price of coal. Every two weeks an average will be made by such dealers of the cost of all coal on hand, which will be the governing price for the following period of two weeks.

Stringent regulations are made in regard to the hoarding of coal. It is provided that, except between the months of April and September, inclusive, in each year, no consumer shall obtain any quantity of coal in

TRINIDAD DOES NOT WANT CASTRO, FORMER VENEZUELAN DICTATOR

Port of Spain, Trinidad, Oct. 26.—Cipriano Castro, former President of Venezuela, has been requested by the Government to leave Trinidad. The general protested against being compelled to sail at this season, but is preparing to depart. He attributes his expulsion to American intervention.

General Castro has been traveling for years, finding many ports closed against him. Recent accounts said he was accompanied by American secret service agents. Last month the former dictator of Venezuela, after a short stay in New York, sailed for Trinidad.

AGAIN ALLIES STRIKE ON FRONT IN BELGIUM, HURLING THE ENEMY BACK IN THE REGION OF YPRES

Russians Beat Off German Detachment at Coast Yesterday

Petrograd, Oct. 26.—Russian forces on the Werder coast of Esthonia yesterday repulsed a German detachment, the Russian War Office here announced to-day. Part of the German naval squadron, including some dreadnoughts is anchored in Kuivast Bay, on the eastern side of Moon Island, in the Gulf of Riga.

MR. JUSTICE GALT.

Winnipeg, Oct. 26.—Mr. Justice Galt, who is in hospital here suffering from a serious affection of one eye, was reported to-day to be somewhat better following the treatment which he is undergoing.

ADVANCE WAS MADE QUICKLY GERMANS EXPECTING ATTACK

London, Oct. 26.—Shortly before 7 o'clock this morning British forces which began an offensive on the Ypres front were seen entering German "pill boxes" on the Bellevue spur, and shortly afterwards signals showed that the British had carried Poelderoek Chateau, which had been strongly fortified by the Germans, telegraphs the correspondent of Reuters' at British Headquarters in Belgium. The correspondent says the Anglo-French attack extended from Houthulst Forest to the neighborhood of Gheluvelt.

British Front in Belgium, Oct. 26.—(By the Associated Press.)—Field-Marshal Haig's forces this morning made two separate attacks on the German positions north and east of Ypres. The first was from a point near Saint Janshoek, westward, through the southern fringe of the Houthulst ridge to the region of Nieuwenhoof.

The other assault was on both sides of the Ypres-Menin highway along the Gheluvelt ridge in the direction of the town of that name. The British troops as well as the French, who also attacked on the left, made excellent headway, pushing forward on a wide front.

A group of enemy guns on the high ground southeast of Gheluvelt constituting one of the main enemy defences was comparatively quiet. This probably was due to the heavy British bombardment last night. Many explosions were seen in the region of those batteries during the night.

Again one of the greatest barrages yet seen was employed by the attackers. The preliminary bombardment was made more effective by the recent moving forward of the guns over the marshy ground. A brisk wind had dried the ground wonderfully.

The Germans had been expecting an attack and had made preparations for an assault on Monday. The British military observers say the Germans had long feared an attack in this dominating region.

The Bellevue spur, west of Passchendaele, which British troops entered one hour after the attack began, had been a nest of machine guns from which the Germans in recent battles had swept the country to the westward. At 7.15 o'clock the Germans concentrated a heavy artillery fire on Bellevue, but the British still were battling forward among the concrete defences.

Wolf Copse, near Bellevue, which recently was the scene of sanguinary fighting, was passed at an early hour by onrushing British forces.

Poelderoek Chateau, north of Gheluvelt, was reached by the British in little more than an hour and a half. It was a hard nut to crack, but prisoners were hauled out and sent down the Menin road.

New Ministry Must Be Formed at Rome As Result of Vote

Rome, Oct. 26.—The Government was defeated in the Chamber of Deputies yesterday when a vote of confidence failed by 314 to 96.

The Italian Parliament opened its session less than two weeks ago. A dispatch from Turin on October 17 said that the position of the Government was endangered because of the serious riot in Turin in August and the general food crisis throughout Italy. The Food Controller, Giuseppe Canepa, resigned owing to the food situation.

British and French Drive Forward North, Northeast and East of Ypres; Draibank, Papegoet Wood, Poelderoek Chateau and Other Points Taken

London, Oct. 26.—While the Germans on the Aisne front still were smarting from the heavy blow General Petain had administered to them, leaving him uninterrupted in organizing the captured ground, they were called upon to face to-day a resumption of the Entente offensive in Flanders.

Both Field-Marshal Haig and the Paris War Office report the launching of the new attack, which is declared to be developing satisfactorily, although under most adverse weather conditions. French troops waded through water up to their necks in crossing the St. Jansbeek and Coverbeek Rivers, but nevertheless they made important progress on the left flank of the field of attack, capturing Draibank village, Papegoet Wood and many farms where the Germans had organized points of support. Hundreds of Germans fell into the hands of the French as prisoners.

The front of the thrust apparently is a far more extended one than that of last week, as Field-Marshal Haig's report mentions the attack as being launched "northeast and east" of Ypres. If the British have carried the field of attack to a point as far south as directly east of Ypres the battlefront of the day is on a line approximately 10 miles long, extending along nearly the entire curve of the new Ypres salient.

The Reuters correspondent with the British forces reported early during the attack that British troops had overrun the Bellevue spur and had taken the Poelderoek Chateau, which had been strongly fortified by the enemy.

Germans' New Scheme Is to Flood Russia With Fake Banknotes

New York, Oct. 26.—A special to The New York Herald from Paris says: "Well-authenticated reports that have reached here reveal that Germany has gone into the business of counterfeiting on a big scale. It will be remembered that she was proved to have forged American passports for the use of spies and agents. It now appears that she is flooding Russia with counterfeit Russian banknotes issued to the amount of 3,000,000,000 rubles (\$1,500,000,000). The notes are marvelously engraved and the initials are so perfect that only the most experienced experts can detect the forgery."

French Report.

Paris, Oct. 26.—The village of Draibank, Papegoet Wood and a number of fortified farms were captured by French forces in an attack launched this morning on the Flanders front, the War Office here reported this afternoon. Hundreds of prisoners were taken. The French forced a crossing of two rivers, wading through water up to their shoulders.

On the Aisne front the ground newly won is being consolidated and no important fighting occurred during the night.

The Germans renewed their attacks in the Verdun sector and were again beaten back, suffering large losses.

Waded Streams.

The text of the report follows:

"In Belgium we attacked at six o'clock this morning the German positions between Driegraeten and Draibank. Our troops crossed the St. Jansbeek and the Coverbeek rivers in water up to their shoulders and made important progress in spite of the difficulty of the ground. The village of Draibank, Papegoet Wood and numerous farms organized as points of support fell into our hands. We took hundreds of prisoners.

"The night was calm on the front north of the Aisne, the enemy undertaking no counter-attacks except a feeble artillery fire. Our troops are organizing the positions captured on the south bank of the Oise-Aisne Canal, where the enemy blew up the bridges on retreating.

"In the Argonne area attacks on some of our small posts were without success.

Verdun Front.

"On the right bank of the Meuse River (Verdun front) the German troops renewed their attacks on our positions at Chaume Wood. After a very spirited engagement, in the course of which the enemy suffered serious losses, he was prevented from gaining a footing except in one of our advanced positions.

"Everywhere else the night was calm."

German Statement.

Berlin, Oct. 26.—An official statement on operations on the west front issued here to-day says that the German troops on the Aisne front were unable to save guns and war materials in Pinon Wood during the French attack and withdrew behind the Oise-Aisne Canal near Chavignon, and southeast of that town. French troops attempted to cross the canal lowlands, but according to the statement, were thrown back everywhere.

DOG SALMON SOARS IN PRICE ON COAST

Vancouver, Oct. 26.—Dog Salmon, which a year ago sold for five cents apiece here, to-day were selling for 60 cents each, an increase of 1100 per cent.

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HOOVER SPEAKS OF ALLIES' FOOD NEEDS

Washington, Oct. 25.—In a statement reviewing the world food situation, Food Administrator Hoover last night said the fight against the enemy submarine would be won if the United States and Canada could stimulate production and effect economies so as to feed the Allies from this continent without sending a ship farther afield than the American Atlantic seaboard. Ships, wheat and hogs are the great needs, Mr. Hoover emphasized. He said the deepest concern had been caused by the fact that in spite of the high prices, this country's pork consumption had increased during the war until production had been outstripped—a situation that must be changed. The Administrator said the Allies' deficiency of wheat production is 196,000,000 bushels, with imports of 577,700,000 bushels required to maintain normal consumption. He estimated the aggregate American, Canadian, Australian, Indian and Argentine export surplus at 770,000,000 bushels, but pointed out that lack of shipping made it necessary for this country and Canada to bear the burden of the Allies' deficit. Placing the United States wheat export surplus from this year's crop at 80,000,000 bushels and Canada's at 150,000,000 bushels, Mr. Hoover urged domestic economies to increase this country's surplus to 150,000,000 bushels.

BRITAIN STANDS FIRM WITH HER ALLIES

London, Oct. 26.—(Via Reuter's Ottawa Agency.)—In the House of Commons yesterday Lord Robert Cecil categorically denied rumors that the Western Powers were contemplating a separate peace at the expense of Russia and Roumania. He said the rumors were being spread by enemy agents in Russia with the hope of discouraging Russia. Great Britain was determined, he said, to abide by her Russian ally and assist her to consolidate her new-found liberty. He paid tribute to the valiant resistance of Russia in a period of exceptional difficulty and trial and assured the Roumanian people that Britain would not desert them in the present crisis.

ISLANDS SEED FAIR AT DUNCAN SHORTLY

Provincial Government Arranges First Event of Kind; Win-War Meeting.

Duncan, Oct. 26.—On Thursday and Friday, November 29 and 30, the Provincial Government Islands Seed Fair will be held in Duncan under the direction of the Cowichan Agricultural Society, with P. W. Akkett Jones as president and W. A. McAdam as secretary. This is the first Islands seeds fair, and the Department of Agriculture has generously arranged to pay all transportation charges on seeds shipped to the fair. In addition to this inducement no entry fee will be charged. Should their fair prove a success it will be made a permanent event, not necessarily in Duncan. A grant of \$600 to the prize fund has been made by the Department. Running at the same time as the seeds fair will be the Group No. 1 Poultry Show of both exhibition and utility birds, of which W. A. McAdam also is secretary. Catalogues will be out by the end of the month and entries will close on November 24. In addition to the poultry classes there will be six classes for cats, three for long-haired and three for short-haired varieties. Classes for kale, kohi rabi and chard will be included, and it is expected that large poultry firms will exhibit different poultry feeds and supplies. Special prizes will be given to the boys' and girls' club by L. F. Solly. It is expected that H. D. Reid, president of the B. C. Poultry Association, will judge the exhibition, and H. E. Upton, of the Agricultural Department, the utility classes.

Win-War Meeting.

At a Win-War mass meeting held in the Duncan Opera House there were present from Victoria: A. S. Barton, A. C. Flumerfelt, F. Higgins, R. J. Perry and R. G. Duggan. Mayor E. F. Miller was in the chair, and besides these Ruscumbe Poole, secretary of the United Farmers of British Columbia, spoke, and four resolutions were passed unanimously by the meeting. What impressed those present was the intense earnestness of the speakers. The resolutions were moved by G. A. Cheeke, of Cobble Hill, and seconded by the Rev. A. F. Munro, of Duncan. Fishing. Trout fishing in the Cowichan River is good, one angler yesterday making a catch of 17 fine trout, the majority being well over one pound. Fishing in the river is now becoming the sport it was in former years before the lumber companies sent the logs down the river and ruined it. The trout are being replenished by the Government hatchery at Cowichan Lake. In a year or two the river will have come into its own again.

FUSION ACHIEVED IN SASKATCHEWAN

National Government Association Formed in That Prairie Province

Winnipeg, Oct. 26.—The Regina correspondent of The Winnipeg Telegram says: "The two political organizations which have fought for the control of the Government of Saskatchewan since the territorial status was abandoned in 1906 have passed out of existence for the period of the war, so far as the federal election is concerned. Their places have been occupied by the new National Government Association of Saskatchewan. This is the climax of the negotiations which have been under way since the Union Government was formed at Ottawa. Dr. Bowman, of Weyburn, president of the Conservative Association, resigned with the other officers. Their headquarters in the capital were closed. Similar steps were taken by the Liberals. Hon. J. A. Calder acting for them in the final arrangements. "The Unionists' central organization will be an executive committee composed equally of Liberals and Conservatives and each constituency will have local executives similarly organized, on which devolve the obligation of calling conventions and naming Union candidates. The final details were harmonious. The province was divided by conceding 10 seats to the Liberals and six to Conservatives."

CASUALTIES AMONG CANADIAN SOLDIERS

Ottawa, Oct. 26.—The following casualties have been announced:

Infantry.
Wounded—Lieut. L. V. Millier, Vancouver.
Engineers.
Seriously ill—Sapper C. H. Soltau, Tacoma, Wash.
Mounted Rifles.
Gassed—Lieut. M. J. Richardson, Mara, B.C.
Infantry.
Killed in action—Pte. H. P. Stevens, Regina, Sask.; Pte. W. A. Scott, Leduc, Alta.
Died of wounds—Pte. T. Pollard, Camora, Sask.
Wounded and missing—Pte. R. Johnston, Ireland.
Wounded—Pte. R. Lawson, St. John, N.B.; Pte. C. Sharpe, St. John, N.B.; Pte. H. L. Bonner, Marysville, N.B.; Corp. J. L. Doherty, Mayfield, P.E.I.; Pte. R. Williams, Cronier, Man.; Pte. H. Lalonde, Glenboro, Man.; Pte. F. H. Laalle, Brantford, Ont.; Pte. F. C. Page, England; Pte. S. E. Rolla, Sydney, N.S.; Pte. P. M. Lounsbury, Westmoreland, N.B.
Prisoners of war—Pte. N. E. Beatty, Elmwood, Ont.; Pte. C. Coates, Toronto; Pte. A. C. Cotton, Toronto; Pte. T. O'Brien, Calgary, Alta.; Pte. C. M. Wasson, Queen's Co., N.B.; Pte. A. Williams, Toronto; Pte. W. F. Balcombe, Elstow, Sask.
Ill—Pte. E. Harker, England; Pte. T. Morris, Montreal.
Shell shock—Pte. G. Matiatall, Westville, N.S.
Mounted Rifles.
Killed in action—Pte. W. Grendon, England.
Artillery.
Died—Dvr. J. Barnes, Lachine, P.Q.
Wounded—Gnr. W. Walsh, Charlottetown, P.E.I.; Gnr. A. Colwell, Halifax, N.S.; Gnr. O. H. Burdett, St. Catharines.
Shell shock—Gnr. A. Morris, Hamilton, Ont.
Engineers.
Wounded—Spr. A. D. MacArthur, Windsor, Ont.; Spr. B. Best, Wolfville, N.S.; Spr. A. Reavey, Aylmer, Ont.; Spr. H. Robinson, England; Spr. H. Chidley, England; Spr. A. E. Gill, Portage-la-Prairie, Man.
Services.
Killed in action—Lieut. W. C. Thompson, Woodstock, Ont.; Acting Quartermaster-Serjt. P. Cumming, Scotland.
Died of wounds—Corp. E. G. Eames (alias Roy Wilson), Shelton, Wash.
Wounded—Pte. L. G. Lee, Marshall, Sask.
Ill—Dvr. A. Searle, Chicago, Ill, U.S.A.
Infantry.
Killed in action—Corp. C. Davis, Wales; Pte. D. B. Landon, St. Thomas, Ont.
Died—Pte. Felix Castonguay, Montreal; Pte. E. Smith, England; Pte. W. Coburn, Edmonton, Alta.; Pte. P. Fuller, England; Pte. H. Brandie, Scotland.
Wounded and missing—Pte. S. Marchuk, Toronto.
Wounded—Pte. J. Walker, File Hills Reserve, Sask.; Pte. A. V. Bradford, Kirkleair, Alta.; Pte. F. Y. Allmen, England; Pte. C. A. Johnson, Valley Station, Col. Co., N.S.; Pte. J. R. Lohnes, Rose Bay, N.S.; Pte. J. C. Thomson, St. Walburg, Sask.; Pte. W. S. Lony, Renfrew, Ont.; Pte. O. J. A. Halleybury, Ont.
Prisoner of war—Pte. R. Henry, Penetanguishene, Ont.
Artillery.
Wounded—Gnr. A. Douglas, England.
Engineers.
Ill—Spr. W. H. Loney, Pilot Mound, Man.
Shell shock—Gnr. F. Hogan, Winnipeg, Man.
BELGIAN KING TO ITALY.
Washington, Oct. 26.—King Albert of Belgium has decided to visit Italy very soon. He will make an inspection of the Italian army at the front and visit the trenches.

120 GERMAN CANNON IN HANDS OF FRENCH

Petain's Forces Took 2,000 More Prisoners on Aisne Front

Paris, Oct. 26.—The French forces on the Aisne front yesterday continued their successful advance, capturing several important villages and 2,000 additional prisoners. An official report issued here last night said that since the beginning of the present operations more than 12,000 prisoners and 120 guns had been captured. The text of the report follows: "Our troops carried out this morning a general advance beyond the positions reached last evening, extending to the Oise-Aisne canal. The village and forest of Pinon are in our hands, as well as the village of Pargny-Filain. South of Filain, where our patrols penetrated, we occupied the farms of St. Martin and La Chapelle Ste. Bertie. "The enemy, under our pressure, was compelled to abandon important material, including a score of cannon, of which several are howitzers of 150-millimetre size. "On the right bank of the Meuse the Germans followed up their bombardment, indicated this morning, of our positions in the Chaume Wood, with an attack which our fire arrested. "Belgian communication: Our artillery has been very active during the course of the last two days. On October 25, our aviators gave efficacious aid to these various operations."

British Report.
London, Oct. 26.—A report from Field-Marshal Haig issued here last night said: "A raid attempted by enemy troops last night east of Loos was met with rifle and machine-gun fire and failed to reach our wire. Early this morning two hostile raiding parties attacked our line north of La Bassée Canal. One party was repulsed by our artillery before reaching our trenches; the other succeeded in entering our trenches, but was driven out. One of our men is missing. "We captured a few prisoners during the night in patrol encounters. Our artillery has been active during the day on the battlefield. "In the Air. "Aviation.—Last night factories and railway communications in the vicinity of Saarbrücken were attacked by some of our aeroplane squadrons with excellent results. Over three and one-half tons of explosives were dropped on the Burbach works by some of our naval machines. The damage caused was considerable, many fires being observed. "Three thousand three hundred and thirty-five pounds of explosives were dropped on railway stations, junctions and sidings in and around Saarbrücken by another squadron. Many direct hits were obtained, resulting in numerous explosions. One train proceeding to Saarbrücken received a direct hit from a big bomb and was destroyed. A total of five tons of explosives was dropped by us. "The enemy's anti-aircraft defences were strong. At first weather conditions were good, but later became very bad, with rain and low clouds and a strong wind, rendering the return of our machines most difficult. "On Wednesday there was a slight improvement in the weather on the British front, though drifting clouds and a very strong west wind made observation and fighting over the enemy's lines difficult. One hundred and fifty-four bombs were dropped during the day on the enemy's billets, twelve heavy bombs on an aerodrome near Courtrai, and 71 on German troops in trenches and in the open. "At times the fighting was severe. Four hostile machines were downed by aeroplanes; one was shot down by infantry and three other machines were brought down out of control. Six of our machines are missing."

German Statement.
Berlin, Oct. 26.—The War Office here stated last night: "In Flanders there were strong artillery duels, mainly east of Ypres. Others occurred at Pinon and Chavignon, on the Aisne front, during the night. In the Allette region during the morning we withdrew our advanced troops behind the Oise-Aisne canal, giving way to French pressure. "Different Conditions Noge. Copenhagen, Oct. 26.—The Germans under pressure of the French victory on the Aisne front will endeavor to effect a general retirement to a new Hindenburg line well in the rear of their present positions. Various hints from German sources lately have indicated that the German experts, recognizing the menace, particularly to the exposed salient southwest of Laon, were preparing a new fortified line somewhere between Laon and their former front, to which they expected to effect an orderly retirement. The French attack seems to have anticipated this strategy, and the German withdrawal, if made now, under the hampering of a victorious opponent, is likely to be a quite different operation from that planned. "Germans Uneasy. Amsterdam, Oct. 26.—German newspapers are uneasy over the French advance northwest of Soissons. Those at Cologne say it is impossible to minimize the importance of the French blow. The Volks Zeitung says: "We must not exaggerate the meaning of the French advance. It is only an initial success. We must not forget what resistance our brilliant troops have offered to the numerically superior enemy." The Frankfurter Zeitung characterizes the battle as "painful" for Germany, but not desperate, and believes France's extreme is the capture of Laon.

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WINNIPEG POSTAL EMPLOYEES CHAFING

Winnipeg, Oct. 26.—Drastic action on the part of the postal employees in Winnipeg is forecasted unless the Government promptly pays the war bonus provided in the supplementary estimates. One meeting has been held already and others are scheduled. The postal men, both carriers and clerks, are chafing at what they consider the dilatoriness of the Department. They hit at action in "bring the Department to time," in a statement drawn up at a meeting of the executive of the men held last night.

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FRENCH VICTORY A SPLENDID ONE

Associated Press Correspondent Tells What He Saw on Aisne Field

With the French Armies in France, Oct. 25.—Via London, Oct. 25.—(By the Associated Press)—The French have reached the Aisne Canal, and Laon, eight miles away, is in sight. Following up the victory of Tuesday, French forces to-day took Monkey Mountain, east of Vauxaillon, the village of Pinon and the forest of the same name, as well as the village of Fargny-Filain.

Certain demoralization in the German command is shown by contradictory orders found on prisoners. The question is asked whether another retreat is intended.

Crossing the battlefield in the vicinity of the Vaurains and St. Guilain farms, the writer obtained ample evidence of the extent of the splendid French victory. Hundreds of prisoners in large groups were making their way to the rear, marching without escort. Damaged German machine guns lay everywhere, while scattered around were heaps of ammunition, cannon and immense quantities of military material.

Many Germans were captured in the enormous cavern of Fruty. The approaches had been battered severely and large holes had been torn in the roof, demonstrating the power and accuracy of the French artillery. Not an inch of ground hereabouts had been left untouched. The cavern has galleries about one kilometre in length, with many exits, most of which had been greatly damaged by the French guns. When the French infantrymen dashed forward in the darkness they approached the entrances warily and found them full of Germans waiting for the moment of attack. Rifles, grenades and smoke bombs soon brought them out with their hands raised in token of surrender.

The Tanks. Meanwhile the tanks had advanced with the infantrymen until the second German position was reached, destroying on the way any nests of machine guns opposing the progress of the French troops. The tanks advanced several kilometres, during which they met and demolished many machine gun nests. One tank was opposed by a determined German officer with a large body of men who poured bullets upon the armored sides of the tank without effect. Finally the French officer in command descended from the tank and with his revolver forced the whole German group to surrender.

Another tank found a battery of field guns facing it. As soon as the tank opened fire ten of the artillerymen threw up their hands and the remainder bolted, only to fall before the hail of machine gun bullets from the monster.

To-day the French advance proceeded rapidly and the units reached the

various objectives with regularity. After taking the village of Pinon, the patrols went forward and entered the forest of the same name. They found many German cannon abandoned, but with the breach-blocks gone. Dead horses, killed by the German gunners, lay beside the cannon. The Germans had found it impossible to get the guns over the marshes adjoining the Aisne Canal, over which most of the bridges had been destroyed, making the retreat of artillery impossible.

Hundreds of machine guns were captured by the French and many of them were turned on the fleeing Germans, who had left plenty of ammunition behind.

Soldiers Inspired. The sight of the towers of the cathedral of Laon on the horizon a few miles away spurred the French soldiers to wonderful efforts of endurance and swiftness of movement. They went on determinedly in pursuit of the Germans, leaving parties behind to clear out cellars and caverns, which disgorged hundreds of demoralized prisoners who seemed astounded at the vastness of their defeat.

With all this severe fighting on a battlefield where the Germans held strong positions and where they accepted the challenge of the French army to a stand-up fight, the French casualties were remarkably low.

The French troops of all branches are jubilant over the victory. The artillery, infantry and armor mutually praise each other's work. One colonel commanding a regiment which participated in the battle at its hardest point declared that the fighting had turned into a war of movement.

Difficult Retreat. Where the Germans will make a stand can not be foreseen. What is known now is that the line of their retreat is over a difficult and boggy terrain where the movement of guns is possible only with great precaution.

The writer spoke to several prisoners, none of whom quite realized the extent of the disaster to the army of the German Crown Prince, who had made such elaborate preparations to meet the French attack. All the wounded Germans seemed delighted with the swiftness and skill with which they were treated by the French surgeons.

BANK CLEARINGS

Winnipeg, Oct. 25.—Following are the bank clearings in the principal cities of the Dominion for the week ended yesterday, as compared with the corresponding week last year:

	1917.	1916.
Montreal	\$80,868,377	\$78,290,218
Toronto	\$8,555,022	\$8,078,255
Winnipeg	\$5,353,235	\$2,781,195
Vancouver	10,202,502	7,692,060
Ottawa	5,414,650	5,522,422
Calgary	10,302,828	5,654,421
Hamilton	2,179,929	4,455,540
Quebec	2,696,788	4,625,415
Edmonton	3,382,430	2,257,420
Halifax	3,290,475	2,356,877
London	2,179,929	1,621,944
Regina	4,823,312	3,422,180
St. John	1,881,116	1,758,293
Victoria	1,589,170	1,758,963
Saskatoon	2,588,388	1,950,525
Moose Jaw	1,947,735	1,384,701
Brandon	581,231	575,847
Brantford	709,840	709,840
Pt. William	790,359	648,090
Leithbridge	1,341,109	1,023,912
Medicine Hat	617,364	624,615
New Westminster	364,564	286,902

WHEAT PRODUCTION OF WORLD IN 1917

Washington, Oct. 25.—The world's wheat crop is one per cent. less than it was last year in the countries that thus far have reported to the International Institute of Agriculture at Rome. Cablegrams to the Department of Agriculture here from the Institute issued to-day place the production at 1,775,000,000 bushels. Production of rye shows a 5.7 per cent. decrease, barley a decrease of 3 per cent. and rice a decrease of 19.7 per cent. Corn production increased 23.7 per cent. over last year and oats 14.3 per cent.

IS SAID TO HAVE THREATENED WILSON

Chicago, Oct. 25.—Ewald Pietech, a son of Dr. Carl Pietech, a professor at the University of Chicago, was arrested and arraigned before a United States Commissioner on charges of threatening the life of President Wilson and desecrating the American flag.

AMERICAN VESSELS FOR USE OF ITALY

Washington, Oct. 25.—The Shipping Board of the United States agreed yesterday to charter to the Italian Government approximately 25 American commandeered steel ships of an aggregate of 100,000 deadweight tons, to relieve Italy's shortage of shipping to transport vitally needed supplies.

AS UNIONIST.

Saskatoon, Oct. 25.—J. W. Millar, nominated some time ago by the Liberals of North Battleford constituency, will contest the seat as a supporter of the Union Government. The Conservatives withdrew their candidature and sought to have Mr. Millar retire so that a joint candidate might be selected, but the Liberal executive, acting for Mr. Millar, has refused.

JAPANESE RAILROADS.

New York, Oct. 25.—With the arrival here of an Imperial Japanese Mission composed of three railroad experts, it was officially announced that Japan is considering the standardization of her railroads at a cost approximating \$35,000,000. The state-owned lines in Japan amount to about 5,800 miles.

NORWAY'S FOOD.

Christiania, Oct. 25.—The Food Minister declares that the food situation in Norway is about the same as last year and that by economizing Norway can get along. The papers take a contrary view, saying that without imports from the United States Norway will face starvation before the winter is over.

WATER FOR WINNIPEG.

Winnipeg, Oct. 25.—Tenders covering work that will represent an expenditure of approximately \$1,250,000 will be called for at once by the administration board of the Greater Winnipeg Water District, in accordance with the decision reached by that body at a meeting held here yesterday.

PAINLEVE CABINET UPHELD BY CHAMBER

Confidence Voted; Louis Barthou, New Foreign Minister, Made Address

Paris, Oct. 25.—Premier Painlevé's first Cabinet obtained 248 favorable votes on a motion of confidence on October 19 and his new Cabinet yesterday obtained only 238 votes, slightly more than half the votes in the Chamber of Deputies. The Opposition votes numbered 137, partly from the Socialists and partly from the Radical Socialists. The same groups supplied the hundred members who abstained from voting.

The vote testifies once more to the hesitation of the Chamber to defeat any Cabinet during the war.

Premier Painlevé refused to be drawn into a discussion of the resignation of M. Ribot, former Foreign Minister. He began his speech by saying that he would put aside questions of persons and would not reopen debate on a closed schedule, as events might appear obscure which it was necessary to avoid during a period of unsettlement. The Premier spoke chiefly on Alsace-Lorraine.

J. Louis Barthou, the new Foreign Minister, addressing the Chamber for the first time since the beginning of the war, said in part:

"Never has France had greater reason for complete confidence in victory than at the moment when the United States has entered the struggle, and when the United States is sending us, with admirable energy, materials and soldiers. The consequence of such events is incalculable."

Premier Painlevé has referred to the Allied Conference, saying that decisions would be taken at it which would affect the conduct of the war and its conclusion. When I take my place at the Conference as a representative of the Government I need the sympathy and the confidence of the Chamber, for we are at the moment of the war when, as Mr. Lloyd George has said, it is necessary for us to be on our guard against Germany's diplomatic offensive. Germany is now reduced to attempts to weaken the national sentiment of each of the Allies and to reawaken quarrels between the Allies."

Deputy Renaudel interrupted, saying that M. Barthou referred to something that he had said during a secret session, but M. Renaudel said what he chiefly demanded was a society of nations.

Party Convention.

Paris, Oct. 25.—The national convention of the United Radicals and Radical Socialists, the strongest political organization in France, opened yesterday with 1,321 delegates present. M. Etienneau presided in the place of Henri Bouillon, who is now a member of the Cabinet. The presiding officer declared that despite the fact that it has 179 Deputies in the Chamber of Deputies, the united party did not occupy the place it ought to.

Louis Madry, former Minister of the Interior, who recently was charged with having dealings with the enemy, was cheered loudly when he entered the convention hall.

A resolution demanding the restoration of Alsace-Lorraine "without compromise and without a plebiscite" was adopted.

LALOR NOMINATED IN HALDIMAND, ONT.

Dunnville, Ont., Oct. 25.—At a Union Government convention held here yesterday, F. R. Lalor, who as a Conservative has represented Haldimand in the Dominion Parliament for the past 14 years, was unanimously chosen as standard-bearer for the Union Government organization in the coming election. The convention was representative of prominent members of both the former Liberal and Conservative organizations and the chairman was J. W. Sheppard, of Cayuga, a former Liberal who has two sons overseas and whose son-in-law was killed in action.

Mr. Lalor's nomination was made by R. A. Harrison, of Dunnville, a former Liberal, and seconded by H. B. Swale, of Caledonia. His name was the only one proposed.

REPORT DENIED.

Edmonton, Oct. 25.—Premier Stewart denies the report started in Calgary that Hon. C. W. Cross would shortly retire as Attorney-General of Alberta and that there would be other changes bringing in A. G. Mackay as Provincial Secretary.

"I have not heard of it," said the Premier, "and I do not anticipate any changes."

"I know nothing about any such action," stated Attorney-General Cross. "It is nonsense."

TORONTO LIBERALS.

Toronto, Oct. 25.—Some prominent local Liberals are taking objection to the announcement made last night that the Toronto Liberals would contest Toronto seats in which Union Government candidates appear. This announcement was made after a meeting of the executive committee of the Toronto reform association in the office of C. W. Kerr, the President. Edward Fielding, for many years a strong Liberal, now a Unionist said Mr. Kerr had no right to make such a statement for Toronto Liberals.

BALKING WASHINGTON.

Washington, Oct. 25.—Attempts of a pro-German element in San Francisco to frustrate the Government's food conservation policy have been reported to the Food Administration by its advisory committee of California hotelmen.

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FEDERAL CONTEST IN GREATER VANCOUVER

Conservatives, Win-the-War League and Veterans Agree; the Yukon

Vancouver, Oct. 25.—As the result of several conferences yesterday between representatives of the Win-the-War League and the Conservative Associations of the three ridings comprising Greater Vancouver, it was announced late last night that an agreement had been reached in regard to the support to be accorded the fusion candidates and also as to which riding these candidates would run in. In order to reach an agreement the Conservatives were forced to sacrifice one of their prospective candidates for the Vancouver South seat, Leon J. Ladner, who announced his withdrawal in order to give Conservative support to a candidate to be named by the Great War Veterans' Association.

As matters now stand, H. H. Stevens, former member for Vancouver, has been promised the support of both these parties in Vancouver Centre. The Great War Veterans will nominate a candidate for South Vancouver, the choice to be made by the veterans themselves by a ballot vote between Major Cooper and D. Laughan, provincial president of the association. This candidate of the Win-the-War League for Burrard constituency is to be chosen at a convention which has been called for next Wednesday.

In the Yukon.

Dawson, Oct. 25.—The Yukon Conservative Association has called a convention at Dawson for November 1. Its purpose is set out over the names of Geoffrey Rogers, president, and Charles Black, secretary, in the following words:

"For the purpose of nominating a candidate to contest the Yukon constituency in the coming Dominion election in the interests of the present Union Government, led by Sir Robert Borden."

The Yukon Liberals have taken no public step indicative of the attitude they will take during the coming campaign.

Lieut.-Colonel Dr. Alfred Thompson, Conservative, now head of the Canadian military hospitals as superintendent and late member of Parliament for the Yukon Territory, has received a letter from Sir Robert Borden congratulating him on his good work in Parliament and for his support of the Union Government and the war programme, and asking him to become the Union candidate for the Yukon. Dr. Thompson has sent a message to Geo. R. Williams, the Acting Governor, stating that he is willing to run as a Union candidate if nominated.

SHEFFIELD HONORS SMUTS AND JELICOE

Former Says Empire Built on Ideals It is Fighting For

London, Oct. 25.—(via Reuter's Ottawa Agency).—The Lord Mayor of Sheffield presided over a large and distinguished gathering last evening on the occasion of the presentation of the freedom of the city of Sheffield to Lieut.-General Jan C. Smuts, the noted South African leader, and Admiral Sir John Jellicoe, First Sea Lord of the Admiralty, each of whom was given a cabinet of outlery.

In responding to the toast of his health, General Smuts asked if the country was on active service. He was not a politician and had nothing to do with British politics, but was here to further to the best of his ability the triumphs of the Allied arms. He was the connecting link in a small way between the heart of the Empire and the outlying sections which were growing up into great and prosperous nations, because he felt the Empire rested on fundamental ideas of right.

Referring to the days when he was an opponent, he said he had not shared one jot from the viewpoint he took at the time. Sometimes nations went a bit wrong, as did individuals, he said, and sometimes they suffered certain diseases.

"Undoubtedly you have suffered from the diseases, but you have become cured," he said. "And we come to recognize more and more that this Empire is not built upon a mere mechanism of force or mere legal institutions, but on the great moral and fundamental ideals for which we are fighting."

The enemy had to be taught world principles of constitutional government, public law and order and obedience to laws settled by the will of the majority of the people.

CONSTANTINE WAS MERE GERMAN PUPPET

Venezelos and Minister of Interior Tell What He Said

London, Oct. 25.—The Exchange Telegraph correspondent at Athens says that during the debate in the Chamber of Deputies of the proposal to send the members of the late Gounaris Cabinet before the high court on charges of not meeting their responsibilities, Premier Venezelos told of a conversation he had had with former King Constantine. Replying to a suggestion that Greece join the Entente, the former King was quoted by M. Venezelos as having said: "How can I present myself before the Emperor (meaning the German Kaiser) if I go against him?"

M. Responsolis, Minister of the Interior, quoted Constantine as having said to him: "I would prefer to commit suicide rather than go against Germany." The Minister said that on the King's attention being drawn to Greece's treaty obligations, Constantine replied: "For me this does not matter."

LIBERAL CANDIDATE.

Edmonton, Oct. 25.—The executive committee of the Strathcona Federal Constituency Liberal Association, which met at Leduc to-day with only two absentees, accepted the withdrawal of J. M. Douglas, the late member, who resigned his candidature because of his sympathy with the new Government. It was decided to call a new convention and put a straight Liberal candidate in the field at the coming election. The date of the primaries was fixed for November 5 and the convention will be held at Wetaskiwin.

ENEMY AND POLAND.

London, Oct. 25.—According to Vienna despatches negotiations last week between Dr. von Kuehlmann, German Foreign Minister, and Count Cernin, Austro-Hungarian Foreign Minister, were devoted to the Polish question. It is considered probable that the decision soon to be announced will involve the nomination and coronation of a new Polish king.

LABOR PARTY.

Regina, Oct. 25.—Alderman H. Chadwick, of Moose Jaw, has called a convention to form an independent Labor Party for Saskatchewan. It will be held in Regina on November 4.

SAVING FOOD.

Seattle, Oct. 25.—Beginning Tuesday, November 6, Seattle hotels and restaurants will observe one meatless day and one wheatless day every week. Tuesday will be meatless day and Wednesday will be wheatless day.

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REAPING THE HARVEST.

Swiftly taking advantage of the strategic situation arising from the staggering blow delivered by them on the Aisne plateau, the French have forced the Germans across the Oise-Aisne canal at some points, taking 2,000 more prisoners and fifty additional guns. Since the beginning of this offensive our Allies have taken more than 12,000 prisoners, but it is the extraordinary harvest of enemy guns which accentuates the significance of the victory. This is especially the case in regard to the proportion captured yesterday. Fifty guns to 2,000 prisoners spells demoralization and rout. According to Paris reports, many of these were caught in the marshland near the canal from which the enemy could not extricate them. It is clear that on the front of the main attack the German defensive organization, human and material, has been absolutely destroyed.

The French have only begun to realize upon their victory of Tuesday, as further developments will show. Their advance to the Oise-Aisne canal was inevitable and irresistible, for their mastery of the crest of the plateau from Vauxhallon to Fort Malmaison not only enabled them to take the enemy clinging to the northern slopes under enfilade fire, but threw him into the marshy flats with his back against the waterway, at the same time destroying his communications with Laon. Nor is he much better situated in regard to ground and communications where he is. If he should succeed in reorganizing behind the canal or Ailette River, not only must he operate in marshland but he must depend upon the Laon-Soissons railroad and the Laon-Soissons highway, which parallels the railroad, for supplies, and these two communications are completely dominated by the French artillery. Moreover, those same communications serve the German front which forms the western side of the angle in which the fighting has been going on, that is, the German armies which confront the French on the west. By driving in from the south the French have sharpened the angle—the point of contact of the line from the north with the line which stretches eastward.

The French successes appear to have confronted the Germans with this situation; either they must retire on a wide front or have the contact between their north-and-south line and their east-and-west line broken. The retention of that angle depended upon their possession of two strategic positions, the St. Gobain height and forest, ten miles west of Laon, and the Aisne plateau, the same distance south of Laon. The French tried to take St. Gobain highland after the German retreat from the Somme and found it impregnable. Being thus harried from the west they, last spring, began the series of attacks against the Aisne plateau from the south which was crowned with Tuesday's great victory. The loss of the Aisne plateau, must mean the loss of St. Gobain if, as military experts have pointed out, the one was the necessary complement of the other. The situation resembles that in which one bastion out of four enclosing a fortified square, closely pressed from without, falls into the besiegers' hands. The loss of the key positions in this corner must eventually involve the loss of Laon. The loss of Laon in turn would upset the whole German front running northward through La Fere and St. Quentin for it is the most vital point on the line in northern France.

We may rest assured that Petain will follow his advantage with

characteristic swiftness and all his power. Now far he will succeed in reaping the full harvest we should soon know. The weather is uncertain and the ground unfavorable for quick movement, but with the important strategic advantages they have gained, those conditions will favor the attacking forces at least as much as the defending army. They certainly have done so thus far. If the Germans had chosen the hour of their retirement and made full preparations for it, as they did for their withdrawal from the Somme, atmospheric and physical conditions would be assets to their plans. But a retirement on the heels of a serious reverse in which they have lost heavily in men and guns is a vastly different operation. The difference between the two is the difference between order and demoralization. This also raises the question of morale. It is absolutely certain that this precious asset is rapidly deteriorating in the German ranks. When soldiers shoot their officers and then surrender; when a battery is taken by a single French officer with a revolver; when men are so glad to surrender that they march to the hostile rear without escort, there is something the matter with their fighting fibre. They must be ready to do anything to get out of their misery.

The enemy to-day is meeting a blow in a quarter still more critical than the Laon sector. This morning another Anglo-French offensive was launched on a wide front east and northeast of Ypres, and although the full results have not been disclosed at this writing it is known that the French have captured Draefbank, Papegoed Wood and a number of fortified farms. However desperately the Germans may have to fight elsewhere, they must face an even more serious situation if their defences in Flanders should give way. Considered in connection with the French victory north-east of Soissons, which is really a flank attack and enveloping movement, the stakes of the Anglo-French operation are much greater than the possession of Lille and the Belgian coast. The enemy line in northern France is the front door to Germany. If that door were broken the Germans in retreating from France could not reorganize on the French-Belgian frontier. They would have to fall back upon the Rhine.

The Austro-German offensive against Italy has made considerable progress. The breaking of the Italian front and the crossing of the Isonzo south of Tolmino have compelled the Italians to evacuate the Bainsizza Plateau, a logical sequel, for the break in the line threatened the whole front on the plateau with envelopment and disaster. This is regrettable, but considering the heavy enemy concentration in that district it is not surprising. Italy, however, can take consolation from the fact that the distraction of the enemy in her direction is facilitating the Anglo-French operations against the German West Front, and if this were broken Italy soon would have Austria in the hollow of her hand. The Teutons no longer have sufficient resources to carry their offensive very far, and in any case the danger in the west soon will react upon the situation on the Isonzo. Germany, confronted with the menace of imminent disaster in France, would drop Austria like a hot potato. In any case she is not likely to maintain her units on the Austrian frontier a minute longer than when she thinks she has spoiled Cadorna's programme. Berlin claims to-day the capture of 30,000 Italian prisoners and 200 guns. While undoubtedly the Italians have suffered a severe setback, it is a long time since accuracy was looked for in bulletins from Berlin or Vienna. Both Governments not only are facing internal situations daily approaching desperation, but developments in Belgium and France call for a powerful antidote.

ROCKING THE BOAT.

We suppose there always will be somebody who will point a gun and pull the trigger with fatal results and then plead that he or she "did not know it was loaded," or somebody who will rock the boat in a squally sea and drown people. Nobody has yet produced an effective specific for such persons and the fact that they remain so numerous shows that the world is still very young and crude and needs a lot of mental and moral refinement before it will be ready for the Millennium. All this is suggested by the disposition of a certain element to attack the loyalty of Sir Wilfrid Laurier and those of his large following who support him in his present attitude. When we recall that this same element has scarcely extricated itself from the embrace of Henri Bourassa and Armand Lavergne, only to fall upon the neck of the Food Barons who, under the protection of special privilege, have been despoiling the people of this country—including the dependents of our soldiers—we must be impressed with the impudent hypocrisy which underlies its challenge of anybody's loyalty. A budding lady politician from Vancouver in addressing the local Conser-

vative Association last night, declared that Sir Wilfrid Laurier and by implication, his party, were "disloyal" to British connection and, according to the press report, quoted from the proceedings of the Imperial Conference to prove her charge. The incident is worth noting as an illustration of the way in which people persist in making foolish accusations out of either thoughtless ignorance or malice. No ordinarily well-informed and honest person to-day would invoke the record of the Imperial Conference to charge Laurier with disloyalty, no matter how antagonistic he may be towards the Liberal leader. If he did he would also have to stigmatize General Botha as a traitor, for the great South African leader took precisely the same stand as Laurier in regard to that out-worn scheme of Imperial centralization which ever and anon puts in an appearance and is promptly squelched.

Those who read the newspapers will recall that last summer Sir Robert Borden, in speeches delivered by him in half a dozen different British cities, endorsed Laurier's views on this subject with much force and earnestness. And not long after the "disloyal" Borden had thus confirmed the Laurier attitude, the "disloyal" Lieutenant-General Smuts in a speech which was described as one of the greatest deliverances heard in London in many years, expressed the same views. Well, indeed, has it been for this Empire that the Colonial Conferences have unanimously sustained the course maintained by Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Botha, Smuts and the others! What a calamity it would have been if the proposals of the centralists of the Milner school—the German school—had been accepted and self-government withheld from South Africa!

Sir Robert Borden will be well advised if he speak a few straight-flung words to the stupid elements included in his party who persist in rocking his boat. About the quickest way to wreck the new administration is to cast imputations upon the loyalty of the great Canadian statesman who has rendered distinguished service to the Empire, and of the large number of Canadians who like him prefer voluntaryism to conscription. It is hard to understand how any sensible Canadian can be so abysmally stupid as to indulge in provocative talk of that kind. It certainly makes the road of the new administration, rocky enough in any case, more difficult still.

SERIOUS SITUATION AVERTED.

Congratulations to Premier Brewster and the Hon. Wm. Sloan on their successful mediation in connection with the difficulties which confronted an important part of the mining industry of British Columbia. The Premier's efforts at Ottawa, reinforced by the representations of the Minister of Mines at this end, undoubtedly have averted what would have been a serious situation in its effect upon the economic condition of the province.

The difficulty arose from the slackening of orders for lead by the Imperial Munitions Board and was aggravated by the embargo on the export of lead and zinc. The refinery at Trail had accumulated a large reserve stock, and fearing its inability to dispose of it reduced its orders to the mines for which it is the immediate market. As the result of the representations of Mr. Brewster and Mr. Sloan the Imperial Munitions Board has agreed to purchase 6,000 tons of lead and the embargo on zinc and lead has been removed.

Press Comments

"SERVICE," NOT "EXEMPTION."
(The Toronto Globe.)

It is Military Service the law calls for, not Military Exemption. It is law in Canada, and law for Canadians. And obedience to that eternal law of service is required of every Canadian, with no exceptions, either for age, or for sex, or for personal occupation. Service is the supreme obligation of the social order, everywhere and always. In any community and under all circumstances, the man who will not serve is a traitor to the society of which he is a member. If he spends the wealth of idleness he is a parasite. If he eats the bread earned by the sweat of another's brow, and in return makes no contribution to the necessities of the community—the necessities for worthy things or for lofty ideas or for holy passions—he is not only a parasite whose presence is a burden, but a transgressor whose existence is a crime.

There is no dodging that issue. The man or the woman who has talent or a gift or a power which the community needs, and needs supremely, and who is too indolent to train for that social service, or too selfish to make that needed social contribution, that man or that woman violates not only the eternal law of the social order, but also against the inexorable law of one's own moral nature. And for that sin one must pay in full the utmost farthing demanded by the moral order of the universe.

And that law of social service holds everywhere. It holds in Canada, in Germany, in No Man's Land. Wherever there is a social order, wherever two or three are gathered together, wherever there is a Cain and an Abel, that social obligation holds, and that social service is required. Believe in God or in no god, believe in the Bible

or in no bible, believe in the Church or in no church, the law of human society, in every part of the moral universe, for gods, for men, for devils, makes social service an obligation whose transgression is a sin. And, by the same inflexible justice, the soul that slayeth it shall die. At the present moment, in Canada, the Act of Parliament is on the statute books requiring all men within specified ages to present themselves for examination as to their fitness for military service. Military service is required and is demanded just now, justly required and supremely demanded, because this is a time of war. War conditions make necessary these war demands. Ordered human society is threatened by the organized social order. Society calls out its fit members to resist these brute-force attacks. Another hundred thousand fit and trained and equipped soldiers are deemed necessary at this very moment. As Ralph Connor called out so loudly in The Globe only yesterday, the Canadian lads in the trenches are beseeching us to "close up" and to "carry on." We must answer that call, and answer with men. And we must answer now.

But the call is not alone for a hundred thousand more soldiers for the trenches in Europe, leaving the millions of Canadians as "exemptions" in Canada. It is not that. It can't be that. The call of Canada this day is to all Canadians, and is not for exemption, but for service. And no Canadian is loyal who seeks exemption, or who wants exemption, or who thinks exemption. The real battlefronts are not only where the shells shriek over the dugouts of death. The fronts where real victories are lost or won are in the minds and hearts and consciences of men and women, where thoughts are renegade or are loyal, and where powers to serve are traitors or are heroes.

It is back to the judgment hall of conscience we must go, and up to the solitary place where each stands alone with duty. The recruiting officer may be fooled. The medical examiner may be misled. But the man who plays fast and loose with himself, who is afraid of duty, and who backs away from service—that is the man against whom in the silence of his own conscience the words of doom are uttered: "Thou Fool!" Service is the inescapable demand of the eternal law of the social order. That law is no respecter of persons. There are no exemptions. Whoever does not serve to the fullest capacity, is, by that measure of slackness, a traitor. Whoever will not serve is a moral suicide.

Yes, there are serious issues. But in Canada the times are serious. And, in any case, life itself is not a joke.

A CONTRAST AND ITS MORAL.

(Manitoba Free Press.) In 1911 C. C. Ballantyne was dismissed from his position on the Board of Harbor Commissioners for Montreal, despite the fact, which was unquestioned, that his services in this capacity had been of untold value to the port and the country, because he was in politics, a Liberal. In 1917 Sir Robert Borden, in the interests of the country, entrusted to the same C. C. Ballantyne the enormous responsibilities of the Public Works Department of the Canadian Government; and is, undoubtedly, delighted to get a man of his capacity as a colleague. Could there be any sharper contrast than is supplied by the juxtaposition of these two statements of fact, upon the imbecility of the extreme party system which until to-day has been accepted as inevitable and proper by the Canadian people?

HAD FAITH IN SCIENCE.

(London Daily Chronicle.) Although the King is to tap 50 tons of molten steel in Scotland, he will not have to face an ordeal like one to which his father, when Prince of Wales and a pupil of Lyon, afterwards Lord Playfair, was challenged? "Have you faith in science?" asked the tutor of his Royal pupil. "Certainly," replied the Prince. Playfair washed the youth's hand and wrist with ammonia. "Will you now place your hand in this cauldron and ladle out a portion of boiling lead?" "Are you serious?" answered the Prince. Being answered in the affirmative, he plunged in his hand and ladled out the white-hot metal, unscathed.

WHY NOT AN EMPIRE COINAGE?

(London Daily Chronicle.) The presence of so much colonial silver in circulation just now will make most of us advocates for a British Empire coinage. For we cannot understand why a shilling coined by the British mint in Australia is not worth a shilling here unless taken by an Australian or a New Zealander. The Commonwealth Bank for exchange. No man of any moneying than to be given an Australian or Canadian coin and find it almost impossible to negotiate it.

THE LIEUTENANT OF CAVALRY.

(London Daily News.) Having occasion yesterday, writes a correspondent, to examine the service record of a soldier who enlisted in a cavalry regiment some 30 years ago, I was attracted by the bold and decisive signature of the officer who certified the entries as correct. It was "D. Haig, Lt."

A CONTRAST IN SYSTEMS.

(New York World.) General Smuts, once a Boer in arms against Great Britain, may be entrusted with the air defence of England. There are some millions of Czech, Roumanian, Polish, Serb, Danish and French soldiers in the Mittleuropa who could never be set to guard Berlin. They might turn their guns on the city.

IMPERSONATION.

(Washington Post.) It is said to be the death penalty in Germany to impersonate an army officer, but so far the Crown Prince has escaped.

The Laugh Line

LIKED TO HEAR HIMSELF TALK.

He was a typical gambo so diminutive in stature that I had to stoop to interrogate him, which I did in this way: "Where do you get your papers, my little man?" "Oh, I buy 'em in The Times alley." "What do you pay for them?" "Ft cents." "What do you sell them for?" "Ft cents." "You don't make anything at that?" "Nope." "Then what do you sell them for?" "Oh, just to get a chance to holler."—Denver Times.

WANTED SOMETHING DEFINITE.

On the occasion of a recent concert, at the conclusion of which was sung, "There is a Good Time Coming," a farmer rose in the audience and said: "Mister, you couldn't fix the day, could you?"—Dallas News.

THE WATER CURE.

Doctor—Your throat is in a very bad state. Have you ever tried gargling with salt water? Skipper—Yes, I've been tormented six times.—Punch.

She was a telephone girl, he a telegraph clerk, and they were contemplating matrimony. They were sitting by the fire discussing the blissful time when they would have a little home of their own. The conversation drifted to the topic of fire lighting, and he ventured the opinion that no man should get up and light fires in the morning. He should lie in bed and rest for the day's work.

The girl stared at him in silence for a minute, and then, very sweetly but with great firmness, said, while removing the symbol of their engagement from the third finger of her left hand: "Dear man, ring off, please! Your on the wrong number."

SPITE MUSIC.

Desperate Looking One—I want to buy one of them there saxophones. Clerk—What key? Desperate Looking One—Don't matter; I'm just going to play it for spite.—Boston Globe.

EASILY DONE.

"I'd like to get a little runabout." "The why don't you ask Miss Flighly to marry you?"—San Francisco Chronicle.

NO ROOM FOR CHOICE.

First Little Girl—Your papa and mamma are not real parents. They adopted you. Second Little Girl—Well that makes it all the more satisfactory. My parents picked me out, and you had to take you just as you came.—Exchange.

A full-blown second-lieutenant was endeavoring to display his great knowledge of munitions. Sauntering up to the latest recruit, he said:

"See here, my man, this thing is a rifle, this is the barrel, this is the butt, and this is where you put the cartridge in." The recruit seemed to be taking it all in, so the officer, continuing, said: "You put the weapon to your shoulder; these little things on the barrel are called sights; then to fire you pull this little thing, which is called the trigger. Now, smarten yourself up, and remember what I have told you; and, by the way, what trade did you follow before you enlisted?" "No, sir," came the reply: "I only worked as a gunsmith for the Government Small Arms Factory."

THE WEAKER SEX.

The weaker sex is just portion Of the human race Who goes downtown In zero weather In a half-nastid lace waist And pumps To buy a muffler And woollen sock For her husband So he can go to work.

—Arkansas Gazette. Here is a story in regard to Mr. Winston Churchill. He was informed by an acquaintance that a certain very dear friend was seriously ill with appendicitis, and immediately set down to write the latter a letter of sympathy. While doing so a message came that, after all, the friend was only a sudden and violent attack of indigestion. Whereupon Mr. Churchill tore up the letter which he had begun, and wrote as follows: "Dear — I am sorry to hear that you are ill, but am glad that the trouble is with the contents rather than with the appendix."

THAT'S THE PLACE.

He—Is Madeline married? She—No. He—Have any plans been made for her future? She—Well, she is going to Plattsburg for two weeks.—Boston Globe.

BANQUETS TO-DAY.

"Mamma, what does it mean when you're 'wined and dined'?" "That's an obsolete term, Harold. Now you are only grapejuiced and breadbanded."—Life.

She was a sweet little thing, with the most waspy of wasplike waists, and passers-by had nothing but admiration in their eyes for her. But what was that? She had faded. Tenderly they carried her into a chemist's shop. An Irishman, who had observed the occurrence, looked in after a few minutes, and inquired:

"Oh, was the reply, 'she's coming to.' " "Ah," murmured the son of Erin, "come in two, has she? Poor thing! Bedad, it's just what I was afraid of."

Mr. Fuss—"It's very strange you can't look after things a little better. I want a shave, and there isn't a drop of hot water here." "It's strange, Why, that's the one thing I've never been out of since I married you."

AT THE BARBER SHOP.

"Why the noise?" "The barber is shaving himself." "But why the argument?" "He is trying to persuade himself to have a shampoo."—The Lamb.

Her son had enlisted, and she was a proud woman as she harangued a knot of friends on the village street. "Jarge always done 'is duty by me," he did, 'an now 'is doin' 'is duty by King 'an 'country," she said. "I feel right sorry for them Germans, to think of 'im goin' into battle with 'is rifle in 'is 'and and 'it's a Long Way to Tipperary" on 'is lips."

"Poor Germans, indeed!" exclaimed one of the audience. "Pity's wasted on 'em. P'raps you 'aven't 'eard of their cruelty." "P'raps I 'aven't," agreed the old lady. "An' p'raps you 'aven't 'eard Jarge sing."

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO TO-DAY

Victoria Times, October 26, 1892.

All is in readiness for the opening of the new Roman Catholic Cathedral on Sunday next. The English Church lately has decided to commemorate the memory of Bishop Hills by placing a stained glass window in the new Christ Church Cathedral. F. G. Jordan, of 37 Queen's Avenue, has manufactured a sample of Portland cement from materials procured within 20 miles of Victoria, which he claims to be equal to the best English article.

HOW ITALIANS ARE

BRIDGING CHASMS

Engineers Have Done Wonderful Work With Cable System of Transportation

Washington, Oct. 26.—Development of the telerage or wire cable system of transportation of heavy weights over otherwise impassable mountain chasms has been carried to an amazing degree of perfection by the Italian engineers under the pressure of the war and the demands of the army for quick transportation of munitions, supplies and even large pieces of artillery as an incident to the campaign in the Julian Alps. Reports from the battlefield received here to-day describe one such system spanning a valley two-thirds of a mile deep, a cable swinging in one stretch from peak to peak, a length of four kilometres, or considerably over two miles and capable of carrying twelve-ton loads, while another cable, five kilometres long, or about two and two-thirds miles and suspended over a gulch 300 yards deep, is able to transport loads as large as 14 tons, and would easily handle heavy siege guns with the barrels separated from the carriages. The Italian engineers have become so expert that they constructed some of these aerial systems in 24 hours, and they already have built more than 2,000 kilometres of them.

TEN MORE VESSELS WILL BE BUILT IN VICTORIA FOR PRIVATE INTERESTS

(Continued from page 1.)

Additional Property. In line with its policy to develop the wooden shipbuilding industry here, the Cameron Genoa Mills Shipbuilders, Ltd., recently acquired the lease of additional property on the Songhees Reserve, immediately adjacent to and to the south of the existing shipyard. There is ample room on the new site for the laying down of three more building ways and just as soon as the order for the new ships is confirmed a start will be made in putting the new ships under way. The property is cleared and it has a gradual slope towards tidewater, making it an excellent site for the extension of the yard.

Will Increase Payroll. This will give the Point Ellice yard a total of seven building slips, four already being occupied, three by wooden hulls for the Munitions Board, and one by an auxiliary schooner, now rapidly nearing the launching stage. Over seven hundred men are now employed at the Cameron Genoa plant, and with the landing of the new orders the payroll will be greatly increased. The putting down of three additional building ways at the Cameron Genoa shipyard will mean that the entire force of the Songhees Reserve, extending from the Point Ellice bridge to Hospital Point, will develop into an unbroken line of shipbuilding activity, as but a short space now separates the hulls now under construction at the Cameron Genoa plant from those building at the Foundation yard.

Well Equipped. The Point Ellice plant is well equipped for the handling of the new contracts, and, according to a statement made this morning, everything is in readiness to proceed with the construction of the new vessels. The machinery and building gear of the H. W. Brown interests, which was utilized in the construction of the six auxiliary schooners at the Wallace No. 2 shipyard, at North Vancouver, which plant is now operated by the Lyall Shipbuilding Company, will shortly be transferred here and installed at the Cameron Genoa plant.

VICTORIA WOMAN IS GRANTED A DIVORCE

Vancouver, Oct. 26.—A decree of absolute divorce was granted yesterday to Mrs. Leslie Marks, of Victoria, from her husband, C. L. F. Marks. The couple were married in 1909 and the plaintiff alleged that defendant had failed to provide a home for her, and had since lived with another woman. M. A. MacDonald, K. C., was for the plaintiff.

WILL NOT BE SEIZED.

Washington, Oct. 26.—Assurance was given citizens of Germany and German allies resident in this country last night by A. Mitchell Palmer, alien property custodian, that their money on deposit in banks is not in danger of seizure by the Government.

SUPPORT UNION.

Winnipeg, Oct. 26.—The Winnipeg Sons of England last night placed themselves on record as in favor of the new Union Government and pledged their support to all measures that will hasten a victory.

NO TIME TO LOVE.

Mrs. Newly Wed—Oh, Bert, I have fallen in love with that beautiful bracelet. Mr. Newly Wed—Come on, you've no business to fall in love with anything you're married.—Pearson's Weekly

EDWIN W. MUTCH IS

CANDIDATE SELECTED

Will Be Liberal Standard-Bearer at Similkameen Provincial Bye-Election

Penticton, Oct. 26.—At a large, enthusiastic and harmonious convention of Liberals of the Similkameen Electoral District, held here yesterday afternoon, Edwin W. Mutch, a farmer residing near here, was chosen as candidate in the approaching bye-election. Charles Williamson, of Princeton, president of the Similkameen District Liberal Association, was in the chair and there were forty-six delegates present, representing every part of the riding. Mr. Mutch was nominated by W. Clayton, and ex-Reeve R. S. Conklin, who was the Liberal candidate in opposition to then Mr. and now Senator Shafford at the general election in September of last year. Several other men were nominated, but Mr. Mutch was selected on the first ballot by an overwhelming majority, his nomination being made unanimous.

A successful farmer and connected with several local public bodies, Mr. Mutch would be a valuable addition to the Government benches. The prospect for his election, too, are excellent. This is the more so since Senator Shafford's majority on the civilian vote at the general election was only 89, while a good deal of his heavy poll was wholly due to his personal popularity. The eleven months record of the Brewster Government and the character of the candidate just chosen are believed here to be factors insuring a handsome Liberal majority at the bye-election.

ITALIAN CABINET.

Paris, Oct. 26.—Political circles in Italy, says The Petit Parisien's Rome correspondent, are convinced that Prof. Vittorio E. Orlando, Minister of the Interior, shortly will be called upon to form a National Ministry.



Letters addressed to the Editor and intended for publication must be short and legibly written. The longer an article the shorter its chance of insertion. All communications must bear the name of the writer. The publication or rejection of articles is a matter entirely in the discretion of the Editor. No responsibility is assumed by the paper for MSS. submitted to the Editor.

WHY NOT BOTH?

To the Editor,—Under the heading, "Railway vs. Ferry," in your issue of the 25th inst., you had an editorial discussing which was most desirable, Canadian Northern car-ferry or Canadian Northern rails on Vancouver Island. Your editorial rightly concluded why not both? There is undoubtedly a serious position existing, and public opinion should be thoroughly aroused to it. It has been stated in the press that the Dominion Government has declared the Canadian Northern in British Columbia complete!

Fifty years ago the people of Vancouver Island understood that in joining Canada they would secure railway connection, and without this understanding they would not have joined Canada. The first sod, with appropriate ceremonies, was turned at Esquimalt, and shipsloads of rails were landed there, to rust and afterwards be carried away. There will be no more completion now in breaking faith with the Island than there was fifty years ago.

Finally as a sop to the people of Vancouver Island an eight-mile Island railway was built, but only after the province, on top of all the provincial obligations of Confederation, surrendered areas totalling half the size of Belgium! The Island portion of which areas, totalling not far short of a quarter of the whole Island, by a subterfuge practically escapes taxation (to this day).

History has a habit of repeating itself. If the people of Vancouver Island and the citizens of Victoria want the Canadian Northern rails laid, and want the Canadian Northern car-ferry, it decidedly is "up to us" to say so plainly, untidily and emphatically, and is equally "up to" each and everyone of us to help in the fight and not permit the matter to go by default.

We have been told that the ferry exists, and is in a Quebec shipyard waiting machinery. If so, there is no reason why this boat should not be operating to the Island, next spring. If it is practical to lay the rails up the Island quicker than this, let's have the rails first! Certainly there should be no reason why, before winter, the rails could not be laid to at least Sooke River.

The Victoria City Council intends vigorously to co-operate with the citizens and public bodies of Vancouver Island and Victoria and with the Provincial Government in taking every step possible to secure the early completion of the Canadian Northern project in connection with Vancouver Island.

A. E. TODD,
Mayor of Victoria.

Victoria, Oct. 26

DAVID SPENCER, LIMITED

The Opportunity for Women to Buy a Better-Grade Costume or Winter Coat at an Exceedingly Low Price Presents Itself To-Night and Saturday Morning



High-Grade Novelty Costumes, Selling at \$25.00

A limited quantity only of these Suits, but they are fine examples of good tailoring. In fact, they were made by some of the foremost tailors in the trade.

The materials include beautiful grades of broadcloth, and navy and black serges. The styles feature long coats, pleated backs and full skirts. Some models are very handsomely trimmed with Alaska sable fur; others of military braids.

Suits in qualities you will naturally expect to see priced at about double. But through a fortunate transaction they are here to sell at about half. You will save considerably by securing one of these models. Investigate.

—Mantles, First Floor

Women's Better-Grade Winter Coats, Selling at \$25.00

These Coats would cost you considerably more if they had to be sold in the regular way. Only through a most favorable purchase are we enabled to make such a tempting offer, and we believe that many women in Victoria will welcome the chance to buy one at the special price stated.

They are really pattern models made by a well-known house, and thoroughly recommended. Each model is beautifully tailored and well finished in good serviceable styles for winter. There are the loose-fitting and the semi-fitted styles, with big convertible collars, deep cuffs and belts. Your choice, too, from various novelty tweeds and mixtures, striped velours and plain color serges. Our advice: Don't miss these.

—Mantles, First Floor

Women's Gloves, Special at \$1.25 and \$1.50 a Pair

Women's Glace Kid Gloves, in tan, brown, black, and white with black points; 2-dome. Special, per pair, only \$1.50

Women's Capeskin Gloves, all sizes. Special, per pair \$1.50

Women's Glace Kid Gloves, 2-dome, all sizes. Special, a pair \$1.25

Women's Chamoisette Gloves, in white, and white with black points: Special, a pair \$1.00

—Selling, Main Floor



10 Pieces Fancy Plaid Dress Goods To Clear at Yard 75c

A very useful quality for children's school dresses, warm and serviceable and will not show the dirt easily; 40 inches wide, and several designs and colorings to choose from. Just 10 pieces only at this price.

54-INCH EIDERDOWN FLANNELS \$1.50 A YARD

—In shades of sky, pink, mauve, grey, cardinal, and white. Splendid for Dress Goods, Bathrobes and Kimonos.

—Dress Goods, Main Floor

Handkerchief Specials, on Sale To-Night and Saturday Morning

Boxed Handkerchiefs—Three to six in a box, of fine quality white lawn, with neatly embroidered edges; also white with colored borders. Special, a box, 50c, 75c and \$1.00

Colored Bordered Handkerchiefs 5c Each—A good quality Handkerchief of white lawn, and very neat borders in colors. These are well worth double the price.

Colored Bordered Crepe de Chine Handkerchiefs. Special at 25c

—Selling Main Floor

Woolen Coatees and Drawers for Infants

Infants' All-Wool Coatees—Hand crocheted; white with blue trimming, white with pink, and plain white. Special value at \$1.00

Infants' All-Wool Drawers, with feet. A pair \$1.00

Infants' Pull-over Drawers, without feet. A pair \$1.00

Infants' Wool Jackets, slightly soiled. Values to \$1.50 clearing at 90c

—Infants, First Floor

New Dainty Lingerie Waists to Sell at \$1.75

—A shipment of about one dozen different styles—all new and most attractive. Very neat designs in embroidered front voiles, with square collars, some hemstitched and trimmed with fine laces. Splendid value at \$1.75

—Selling First Floor

Cord Velveteens on Sale To-Night and Saturday Morning at 50c a Yard

A good, serviceable quality and one that will prove most useful for Suits, Coats and Separate Skirts. In the following shades: Copenhagen, navy, saxe, old rose, brown, reseda and black.

36-Inch Taffeta Silks \$1.50 a Yard—A nice quality silk, and one that will give good service. Rich, lustrous finish, in shades of pink, sky, old rose, brown, myrtle, Copenhagen, reseda and black.

36-Inch Silk Poplin \$1.50 a Yard—A grade most serviceable for Ladies' Suits, Separate Skirts and Dresses; also for Smart, Dressy Coats. In shades sky, pink, old rose, nile, mid brown, nigger brown, light grey, plum and black.

—Silks, Main Floor

Real Chamois Skins at Special Prices

The Drug Department has just received a very special lot of Real Chamois Skins, which were purchased some considerable time ago. Since they were purchased the prices on this class of goods have nearly doubled. However, we intend giving our customers the chance to secure them at the old prices. We therefore place them on sale to-night and Saturday morning.

All fine quality skins—some of the best. Investigate at Drug Department.

—Main Floor

Get Your Share of These Boot Bargains at \$6.85, \$4.95, and \$3.95



Don't let this special opportunity to save on High-Grade Footwear slip by without getting your share. You need good Boots for the winter—why not secure them now?

The Boots we offer in this sale are all first-grade goods that were slightly damaged in process of manufacture. For this reason and this reason alone we offer them to you at practically one-half their regular prices. Come in to-night and investigate while your size is here.

Novelty Boots. Clearing at, per pair \$6.85

Stylish Black Kid and Calf Button and Lace Boots, a pair \$4.95

Patent Leather Button and Lace Boots, with plain or cloth tops. Pair \$3.95

—Selling, First Floor

A Special in Men's Suits at \$15.00

We have always had a good range of Men's Suits at this price, but to-day we are in a position to offer you something extra special by way of value.

These Suits were contracted for some considerable time ago, and to-day they make most interesting selling. Compare them with any other Suits being offered elsewhere at the same price. Compare them with Suits that are even sold at three to five dollars more. We believe you will realize, as we do, that these Suits are exceptionally good value at \$15.00—the best that can possibly be sold under present market conditions.

Each model is well tailored, perfect fitting and finished with soft roll collar; 3-button conservative style. Your choice from brown and grey tweeds and worsteds in a variety of smart patterns.

SPENCER'S SPECIAL, A SUIT, \$15.00

—Men's Clothing, Main Floor

A Five Dollar Bill Will Buy Your Boy a Good Suit Here To-Night and Saturday Morning

Just think of it—five dollars for a Boy's Suit such as we cannot buy ourselves from the makers to-day at the price.

We intend giving fifty boys only the chance to wear one of these models for we make this exceptional offer to create a wider interest in our Boys' Suit Department.

It's the finest quality Suit offered anywhere at the price—in fact, the tailoring is equal to any ten dollar Suit you can buy. Made in a smart Norfolk style, with bloomer pants, finished with governor fasteners at knee, belt loops and pockets. Your choice from brown and dark grey diagonals, novelty stripes, mixtures, also plain blue chevrons. Sizes 24 to 29, to fit boys 6 to 12 years. Extra special, a suit, \$5.00. Sizes 30 to 34, special, a suit, \$5.75.

—Boys' Clothing, Main Floor



Warm Winter Shirts for Boys

Boys' Heavy Black and White Tweed Shirts, with collar attached; band cuffs; sizes 12 to 14 neck. Worth \$1.00. Special, each 85c

Boys' and Youths' Union Flannel Shirts, in medium weight, with turndown collars, buttoned down point, back and front; band cuffs; also same shirt with satin neckband for wear with separate collar. Various light and medium fancy stripes. Cut large in body and well finished. Sizes 11, 11½, 12 and 12½. Each \$1.00

Sizes 13, 13½ and 14. Each \$1.15

Boys' Striped Flannel Shirts—Good medium weight, well made and finished with attached collar and band cuffs; sizes 11, 11½ and 14 only. Worth \$1.00. Special, each 85c

Youths' British-made Tunic Shirts, with starched collar band, soft double cuffs; coat shape. Made from fine striped cambric. Sizes 13, 13½ and 13¾. Worth \$1.75. Special at \$1.25

Same Style Shirt, with 2-inch starched cuffs. Size 13¾ only. Special at \$1.25

—Selling Main Floor

Hallowe'en Decorations

Everything for the table, party or home. Also a big selection of Comic Hats, suitable for Hallowe'en parties and marquerades. See the display and our prices.

—Stationery, Main Floor

Smart Dress Gloves for Men

Tan Leather Dress Gloves, wool lined, also in grey Mocha, wool lined. All sizes, a pair \$1.50

Tan and Grey Mocha or Undressed Kid Gloves, wool lined at a pair \$2.00

Dent's Heavy Tan Kid Gloves, wool lined, all sizes; suitable for driving or walking, a pair \$3.25

Dent's Heavy Tan Mocha Wool Lined Gloves, a pair \$3.25

Dent's Heavy Tan Kid Driving Gloves, with wool knit lining, strap and clasp at wrist, all sizes, a pair \$3.75

Fowne's Heavy Tan Mocha Gloves, fur-lined, suitable for motoring or driving. Packed in individual boxes for gifts, a pair \$6.25

Grey Suede Dress Gloves, unlined, a pair, \$1.50 and \$1.75

Grey Suede Dress Gloves, silk lined, a pair \$2.25

Tan Kid Dress Gloves, unlined, a pair, \$1.50 and \$2.00

Tan Kid Dress Gloves, silk lined, a pair \$2.50

Penman's Grey Wool Mitts, heavy make, a pair 40c

Tan Kid Gauntlet Gloves, also black with stiff cuffs, a pair \$3.00. Soft cuffs, a pair \$3.75

Genuine Buckskin Gloves, tan shades, heavy weight, suitable for driving or auto wear, a pair \$2.50

Men's Wool Knitted Gloves, inexpensive and warm, heather, grey and black gloves, a pair, 75c, 85c, \$1.00 and \$1.25

—Selling Main Floor

Liquid Proof Tea Trays for Ladies' Own Needlework

There are many ladies in Victoria who will welcome this news, for it will enable them to have their own fancy needlework framed in a well-made Tray at lowest cost.

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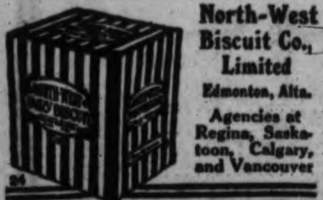
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 From Scottish Women's
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TELLS OF CONDITIONS ON SALONICA FRONTIER

"The Serbs are nature's gentlemen. Even the humblest peasant has a native dignity and courtesy. They are, moreover, fine looking fellows, of strong physique."
 "This is the encomium paid the people of one of the Allied armies by Mrs. Eric Colbourne, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Gillespie, 1621 Moss Street, who has just returned from the eastern front, where she has been engaged in nursing since August, 1916, with the Serbian unit of the Scottish Women's Hospitals for Foreign Service. Mrs. Colbourne is unstinted in her praise of the Serbs, and this after seeing them under their present distressful conditions, without a country, homeless, portionless, and often as in the hospital under intense physical suffering. No mean tribute to a people who have proved their national mettle in so splendid a way in this war.

Mrs. Colbourne's husband went overseas at the outbreak of the war to enlist with one of the Old Country regiments, and was killed in action very shortly after reaching the front. She had accompanied him overseas, and immediately entered the Scottish Women's Hospital service. In August of last year she accompanied the Serbian unit of that organization and went out to Ostrovo, Macedonia.

Field Hospital.
 There was a field hospital of two hundred beds, the establishment, of course, being housed under canvas. Their medical officer was Dr. Agnes Bennett, and practically the whole of the unit, numbering fifty, was composed of women. Attached to the Serbian Army they were completely under Serbian Army control, being more immediately under the director of Medical Services in the Serbian Army, Colonel Sondrymayer.

"Our beds were always full," said Mrs. Colbourne. "Ostrovo," she reminded, was eighty miles up from Salonika. "In August of last year, when we first went out, we had the honor of being nearer the front than any other British hospital out there," she continued. "We were just behind the Serbian Reserve lines. In the Battle of Kaymatalan, in September, 1916, in which the Serbs with great gallantry stormed and captured the mountain of that name, we were able quite plainly to see the troops advancing up the steep, rocky slopes of the hill. The bombardment before the advance took place was terrific, and even where we were, the ground seemed to shake under our feet and the noise was deafening."

Splendid Work.
 "The hospital, and more particularly the girl chauffeurs, were able to do some splendid work then, for the wounded came in so fast that the little station at Ostrovo was crowded with them, lying about on the straw in their bloody bandages waiting for attention and transport."

"Since then the Allied armies have advanced many miles from there and other hospitals have moved up—Imperial general hospitals from England," summarized the speaker, "the hiatus suggesting much as to the great actions and terrific fighting that must have taken place before the advance became possible."

She mentioned that all the Canadian hospitals, No. 1, No. 4, and No. 5, had now been recalled from Salonika. The Scottish Women's Hospital has remained at Ostrovo. But a little dressing station was re-formed and sent on, and is now not far from Monastir.

Adventurous Spirits.
 "There was always great competition among the more adventurous spirits to get in the dressing-station staff, because life up there was apt to be of rather an exciting nature on account of the air raids which were of almost daily occurrence," remarked the returned nurse, who herself intends to return to the Eastern front in January after her furlough is up.

Books Bound in Jewels.
 At the bottom of the Atlantic lies a jewel-bound copy of Omar Khayyam. It was on its way to America in the ill-fated Titanic, which struck an iceberg on her first voyage and foundered. But there is another in existence, unless the German Government has sold it to buy bread, or copper, or rubber. It is in the museum at Frankfurt, and in its binding 21 opals are set.
 Another jewel-bound book which is, or was, in the hands of a continental collector—for one never knows what has happened to art treasures in the war era—is a copy of "Romeo and Juliet." It represents the labor of two men for 15 months—Alberto Sangorini, who wrote and illuminated the volume, and the craftsman who fixed the gems in the binding.
 There are 400 precious stones in a setting of gold on the cover, and the weight of the book is about ten pounds. The cover is pink Levant morocco, and the jewels and their gold setting form hearts, doves and flowers emblematic of love. The red flowers are formed by clusters of rubies.
 American possesses an illuminated copy of the poems of Keats, which is valued at something like \$2,000. The poems are written on vellum and illustrated with original water-colors. It is bound in morocco elaborately gold-tooled, inlaid with over 4,400 pieces of colored leather, and set with over 1,623 precious stones set in gold. The book contains a miniature of Keats set in clusters of pearls and turquoise. —Tit-Bits.

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ly when we first went out. In the hospital we had Serbian army rations, good but plain. The bread was hard and a sort of dirty grey color, and it took a long time to get accustomed to it. It is quite wonderful to see how the Serbs themselves depend on it, and the soldiers can do for days and days on bread alone. Excellent soup and rice pudding were among other "regulars."

As for their uniforms, these were either French or English. After the retreat the Serbian Government were unable to supply anything of the kind, so France and England came in and provided the necessary. The firearms used are all of French source.
 Delicious Fruit.
 "The climate in the summer is very hot," she replied in answer to a question. "There is abundance of most delicious fruit, figs, grapes, pomegranates—nearly everything one can think of. But it is rather dangerous to eat it on account of the number of diseases. Spring this year was beautiful. The earth was carpeted with flowers. The winter was very cold and frosty, and at that time we had a great many cases of frost-bitten feet. We used stoves for heating the hospital, and burned coke which we bought from the Turks in the villages round about."

Some surprise was expressed that this enemy people should have been willing to sell with the opportunity of making money, to furnish supplies of the kind. Mrs. Colbourne stated, however, that the Turks in this captured part of the country were really very friendly, although, of course, they could not very well be anything else. She often had coffee in their houses.
 The country was a curious conglomeration of nationalities. There was a Roumanian village about two miles away where all the inhabitants spoke Roumanian only. Nearby was another village where the people spoke the Bulgarian language. She had seen very little of the Serbian women, who were still, unhappily, in Serbia. But those whom she had seen were rather disappointing in appearance by comparison with the men of the same country. Lacking the fine physique and bearing which one might have expected after seeing the soldiers.

Hospital Opening.
 "Our hospital was opened by the Serbian Crown Prince, Prince Alexander, who was accompanied by his brother, Prince George, and by Admiral Troubridge. ... Once afterwards I saw Prince Alexander."

Mrs. Colbourne told of the circumstances which were romantic as well as amusing. She and a sister nurse had been out visiting a little village, Vodena, about eight miles from the hospital. Their leave was up at 8 o'clock, and the time was short in which they could make the journey back. They had hoped for a lift on one of the big motor lorries which frequently passed, but they waited in vain. Suddenly a cloud of dust moved toward them, in the mist a motor car travelling rapidly. She stepped out into the middle of the road and held up her hand for it to stop. To their great embarrassment they found that the occupant was the Crown Prince. They apologized profoundly, but were met by a gracious smile, and their predicament being explained, were invited to have a lift as far as the hospital. They accepted.

Amongst the relics which the returned nurse has brought back with her is a Bulgarian bayonet that a Serbian Colonel with whom she was walking across a deserted battle-field pulled from the breast of a dead soldier and presented to her. This is a hint of the more gruesome side of warfare which is experienced in some measure by most of the nurses who get so near to the firing-line.

Killed at Monastir.
 Mrs. Colbourne recalled that Mrs. Harley, Lord French's sister, head of the Flying Transport Column of the Scottish Women's Hospital has been killed at Monastir by being struck on the head by a piece of flying shell. This was last March. Several of the nurses of the unit had died of fever the first year of the war. Their names are on the war's roll of honor. Scottish Women's hospital units are also

in France, Corsica, one in Russia, one at Salonika, beside the one in Macedonia from which Mrs. Colbourne has just come back.
 "Anyone who has ever worked with the Serbs would testify to their bravery and endurance. They are splendid soldiers. Any advancing that has been done out there has been done by the Serbs. And their patriotism has not been smothered by the terrible things they have gone through. They are all keen to get their own country back, and so wonderfully hopeful," concluded Mrs. Colbourne.

Social & Personal

Mrs. Plumtree addressed a public meeting in Prince Rupert on Tuesday evening.

H. Langley, for the past two years on the local Court Reporting Staff, left on the night boat yesterday en route for the East, to take up his appointment as Court Reporter on the Toronto Staff.

In honor of Mrs. Fagan, who will leave the city in the near future to take up her residence in Tacoma, Mrs. W. Gibson of Hollywood Crescent, last evening held a very enjoyable reception. Cards and dancing were indulged in by the large number of guests who were present.

At the residence of the officiating minister, Rev. A. E. Cooke, of the Congregational Church, Vancouver, the marriage was celebrated this week of Mrs. E. A. Hygh, of that city, and John Day, of Esquimalt, Mr. and Mrs. Day will make their home in Esquimalt.

At "Breadalbane," Fort Street, the marriage took place last Saturday evening of Miss Mary W. Baillie and Sergt. Alexander Williamson, both of Victoria and formerly of Scotland. Rev. Dr. Campbell was the officiating minister. Instructor-Sergt. Arthur Cross and Mrs. Cross filled the role of best man and matron-of-honor respectively.

Mr. William Henderson, chief architect of the Dominion Public Works Department, Victoria, left last night for the interior, accompanied by Mrs. Henderson. They will visit Kamloops where Mr. Henderson will have official duties in connection with the opening of the new post office near the Leland Block in that city. They expect to be absent from the city for about a week.

A wedding of interest took place on Wednesday at St. Saviour's Church, Victoria West, when Miss Hilda, daughter of R. Jenkinson, 429 Springfield Avenue, became the bride of Lieut. A. C. Macdonald, third son of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Macdonald, 1640 Monterey Avenue. The bride was becomingly attired in a suit of taupe grey poplin, with a hat to match, and wore also a handsome lynx fur, the gift of the bridegroom. Her bouquet was of bride's roses and white carnations intermingled with maidenhair fern. Miss Maude Macdonald acted as bridesmaid, and the best man was C. Macdonald. The officiating clergyman was Rev. E. Connell. After the service a reception was held at the home of the bride, dainty refreshments being served. The popularity of the couple was evidenced by the large gathering of friends as well as by the many beautiful gifts. Among the latter was a handsome tea service given by the officers' mess of No. 2 Depot Battalion, Willows, of which the bridegroom is a member. Mr. and Mrs. Macdonald left on the afternoon boat for Vancouver, and on their return will take up residence at 429 Springfield Avenue, Victoria West. The church was beautifully decorated with maple leaves, ferns, and potted plants, and the pipers of the 56th Gordon Highlanders furnished music.

Rev. F. A. P. Chadwick officiated at the marriage on Wednesday evening of Miss Josephine Hawkins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Hawkins, of 514 Queen's Avenue, and Mr. James St. Elmo Meiss. The ceremony took place at St. John's Church, a large gathering of the relatives and friends of the principals being present as witnesses. The bride was attired in a smart traveling costume of wine-colored serge with which was worn a black fox scarf and a hat of sand-shaded velour. The bouquet was of bride's roses. The bridesmaid, Miss Marie Meiss, sister of the bridegroom, wore a pretty frock of Alice blue taffeta with a big blue hat of Georgette crepe faced with white. Her shower bouquet was of pink carnations and maidenhair fern. The best man was Mr. Roy Shields, of Calgary, Alta. After the wedding the bridal party repaired to the home of the bride's parents, where a daintily appointed wedding breakfast was served. The bride and bridegroom have gone on a tour of the Sound cities for the honeymoon.

Arrivals at the Dominion Hotel from Vancouver included Mrs. Vincent, Mr. and Mrs. W. Ross, G. N. Andersen, Mr. F. M. Richardson, Mr. W. Bryan and Mr. S. Borland.

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In common with all nomadic artists at seaside resorts, the knights of blacking and brush at Blackpool, by hook or by crook, "gather roses while they may." Accordingly, during the season the charge for shining footwear is increased to twopence.

A few days ago one of these polishers was pursuing his calling near the sands, and by way of a "draw" spread out five pennies on a newspaper. A blazer-clad visitor of the operative class, after having his tan shoes polished, asked the youth his fee and was told "twopence."

This stupendous charge rather seemed to touch the visitor in a tender place, for he fumbled in the pockets of his flannels a few moments, then remarked:

"How can you charge twopence each when you've only taken fivepence?" The shoeblack looked up at his interrogator with silent scorn for several seconds, and deliberately replied:

"Garn! Give us another! Ain't I shined a nice old general with a wooden leg? Garn! down with yer dibs!" The visitor paid and hastily departed. —Tit-Bits.

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AT THE HOTELS

Walter Thomas, of Nanaimo, is at the Strathcona Hotel.

J. M. Hastings, of Hamilton, is staying at the Empress Hotel.

I. I. Hill, of Mayne, arrived at the Strathcona Hotel yesterday.

Miss J. MacKay, of San Francisco, is registered at the Dominion.

Mrs. G. G. Beall, of Lindsay, Ont., is registered at the Empress Hotel.

J. E. Cartmell, of Port Washington, is stopping at the Strathcona Hotel.

Mrs. S. M. McMahon, of Kimberley, B. C., is staying at the Empress Hotel.

R. Sommerville, of New Westminster, is staying at the Strathcona Hotel.

Misses A. and R. Hodnett, of Minot, Man., are staying at the Dominion Hotel.

Mr. C. J. Crawley is down from Port Alberni and is staying at the Dominion Hotel.

B. T. and W. H. Bush, of New York City, arrived at the Empress Hotel yesterday.

Mrs. A. Olsen and family, of Saskatoon, Sask., are new arrivals at the Strathcona Hotel.

H. C. Smith, of Toronto, and W. P. Gibb, of Montreal, are guests at the Strathcona Hotel.

J. H. Bastedo and William H. Leishman, of Toronto, arrived at the Empress Hotel yesterday.

Miss E. Maxwell and P. H. Force, of Vancouver, registered at the Strathcona Hotel yesterday.

W. S. Howard and Mrs. A. B. Howard, of Spokane, registered at the Empress Hotel yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. McEwen, of Calgary, are in the city and are registered at the Dominion Hotel.

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The following is an extract from the published official cable relating to the party left on Elephant Island under Mr. Frank Wild:

"When Sir Ernest left there were rations for six weeks, but, realising that rescue might be delayed long beyond that period, Wild determined to exercise most stringent economy."

"He decided to husband the Bovril ration, which was to form the staple sustenance. The stocks of tea and coffee having been exhausted months before, this was, too, the only form of hot beverage they possessed, and it was issued in this form once a day. Twice weekly it was given out to each man without water as a meal."

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Mrs. Irene Moody Delivers Stout Partisan Speech, Fusion Aims Notwithstanding

"Canadian Politics and Policies Since Confederation as I See Them," was the subject of an address delivered by Mrs. Irene Moody, of Vancouver, before the Victoria Women's Conservative organization last night. Side by side with an appeal for unity behind the present leader of the Dominion Union Government she spared no pains in her attack on Sir Wilfrid and his alleged utter disregard and "even bitter hostility to the Imperial connection," an attitude, she said, with which many Liberals were not conversant. She declared that the Conservative party had always stood for Imperial connection while the Liberals under the leadership of Sir Wilfrid would have severed the Imperial tie. Applause greeted her remarks.

Attacks Sir Wilfrid. A realization of the nearness to national death brought on by the Liberal party was Mrs. Moody's description of the first ten months of war. She paid tribute to the thousands of Canada's young sons who responded to the colors in the defence of humanity and this fair Dominion. At the same time she painted a mental picture of Sir Wilfrid Laurier "in the snug security of his parliamentary armchair and in the lowliness of his party-political mind" refusing to enter a coalition cabinet, the fact that that invitation was not extended until 1917, notwithstanding. The leader of the Liberal party, she said, pitted the powers of his oratory, and the strength of the ignorant opposition of Quebec in one last effort to discredit Canada before the eyes of the world, when he failed to recognize the necessity of replacing the voluntary system of recruiting by a compulsory measure.

Praises Sir Robert. "To what conclusion can we of the West come—we to whom loyalty is something more than a seven-lettered word, and to whom Great Britain stands for honor, justice and the guardianship of the world's peace?" she continued. "shall we place ourselves in the ranks of those disruptionists or

shall we give of our influence to the support of Sir Robert Borden who, together with the members of the Union Government, Liberals and Conservatives, towers in his great strength above the levels of partyism and stands before Canadian loyalists to-day the representative of the true Canadian spirit, the guardian of the fair name of Canada, the advocate of the higher ideal of Empire and the champion of the welfare of the whole world?"

More Moderate. Mrs. Frank Andrews, who presided over the gathering, referred to the situation somewhat more in keeping with the times and spoke of the possibility of the Conservative party changing its name and identity along with those Liberals who were at one with them in forming a Union Government. Nevertheless it was proper that Conservatives should again be reminded of some of the great things which stood to the credit of the party since Confederation. If that were to be the course and the Conservative party did lose its identity, its last act would prove its most glorious, in that Sir Robert Borden had held out the hand of fellowship to those loyal Liberals who placed national welfare above party.

Other Speakers. W. J. Bowser, K. C., leader of the Opposition in the local Legislature, and W. G. Gaunce both spoke briefly. Mr. Bowser taking a dig at Sir Wilfrid's attitude on the reciprocity question. Mrs. R. H. Pooley and Mrs. Mitchell enlivened the proceedings with song, while the presentation of a bouquet to Mrs. Moody marked the approval of the Women's Conservative organization.

NO RECOMMENDATION.

Signor Marconi, in an interview in Washington, praised American democracy.

"Over here," he said, "you respect a man for what he is himself—not for what his family is—and thus you remind me of the gardener in Bologna who helped me with my first wireless apparatus."

"As my mother's gardener and I were working on my apparatus together a young count joined us one day, and while he watched us work the count boasted of his lineage."

"The gardener, after listening a long while, smiled and said: 'If you come from an ancient family, it's so much the worse for you, sir; for, as we gardeners say, the older the seed the worse the crop.'"

The WEATHER

Daily Bulletin Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Oct. 25.—5 a.m.—The barometer remains high over the North Pacific Slope and fair weather is general with light to moderate winds along the Coast. The weather is moderately cold in the prairie provinces and snow has fallen in some districts.

Forecasts. For 24 hours ending 5 p. m. Saturday. Victoria and vicinity—Light to moderate winds, generally fair, not much change in temperature.

Lower Mainland—Light to moderate winds, generally fair, stationary or lower temperature.

Reports. Victoria—Barometer, 30.28; temperature, maximum yesterday, 56; minimum, 41; wind, 8 miles N.; weather, fair. Vancouver—Barometer, 30.28; temperature, maximum yesterday, 59; minimum, 49; wind, calm; rain, .16; weather, cloudy. Kamloops—Barometer, 30.16; temperature, maximum yesterday, 48; minimum, 36; wind, 4 miles W.; rain, .04; weather, clear.

Prince Rupert—Barometer, 30.16; temperature, maximum yesterday, 48; minimum, 38; wind, 4 miles E.; rain, .12; weather, cloudy.

Tatoosh—Barometer, 30.22; temperature, maximum yesterday, 54; minimum, 44; wind, 6 miles E.; rain, .35; weather, cloudy.

Portland, Ore.—Barometer, 30.28; temperature, maximum yesterday, 69; minimum, 42; wind, 4 miles S. E.; weather, cloudy.

Seattle—Barometer, 30.28; temperature, maximum yesterday, 58; minimum, 45; wind, 4 miles S. E.; weather, clear.

San Francisco—Barometer, 29.85; temperature, maximum yesterday, 66; minimum, 60; wind, 4 miles S.; weather, clear.

Grand Forks—Temperature, maximum yesterday, 44; rain, .14.

New Hazelton—Temperature, maximum yesterday, 45; rain, .04.

Denikton—Temperature, maximum yesterday, 65; rain, .48.

Nelson—Temperature, maximum yesterday, 44; rain, .25.

Edmonton—Temperature, maximum yesterday, 42; minimum, 22; snow, 2 in.

Qu'Appelle—Temperature, maximum yesterday, 22; minimum, 24; snow, 1.9 in.

Winnipeg—Temperature, maximum yesterday, 34; minimum, 26; snow, 1 in.

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"DWELLING HOUSE" STILL INTERPRETED ON VARIOUS LINES

Commissioner Findlay Shows Difference Between "Apartment and Business Block"

ORIENTAL SUBMITS A VERSION OF SUBJECT

Despite the wide publicity already extended to the more intricate sections of the British Columbia Prohibition Act there are still doubts in many quarters relative to the exact meaning of the term "dwelling house."

One of the theories persisted in is that because a doctor is permitted to have a certain amount of alcohol in his business premises in a commercial block there must of necessity take place a sort of conversion from a mercantile to a residential building by reason of that fact. As already explained in these columns the medical man may have the prescribed amount of liquor for professional purposes in any kind of room, office, or building. He is allowed such privilege under the act by virtue of his calling—for no other reason. He, together with the dentist, the druggist and the veterinary surgeon, is a privileged person.

The Commissioner's Interpretation. Commissioner Findlay has given his interpretation to this section of the act and declares that any building occupied or used, or partially occupied or used, as an office or a place of business, or the whole of which building is not entirely occupied as a dwelling or dwellings may not be termed a "dwelling house" within the meaning of the act.

That is to say, a suite of rooms situated in a building in which there are stores or offices or any other public place do not constitute a private "dwelling house" in keeping with the provisions of the act. This is clearly defined in full detail in section 3 and sub-section "a" of the act, the essence of which is as follows: "Private dwelling house" means a separate dwelling with a separate door for ingress and egress and actually and exclusively occupied and used as a private residence.

Sub-section "a" goes on to relate: "Without restricting the generality of the above definition of a private dwelling house, the expression 'private dwelling house' shall not include or mean, and shall not be construed to include or mean, any house or building occupied or used as an office, other than a duly registered physician's, dentist's, or veterinary surgeon's office, or as a shop, or as a place of business or as a factory, or as a workshop, or as a club house or club room, public hall or hall of any society or order, or as a boarding house, or as a lodging house where there are more than three lodgers other than the members of the family."

The Difference. Sub-section "b" of the same section

She Went Days Without Food

When Hospital Treatment Failed an Operation Was Advised—But Cure Was Effectuated Without the Use of the Knife.

Glacie Bay, N. S., Oct. 26.—Here is a case which sorely puzzles the hospital doctors. It was evident that the great suffering from pain under the left shoulder-blade was due to torpidity of the liver, but no medical treatment seemed to do any good. In fact medicines failed, and the doctors said an operation was the only hope. But Mrs. Watkins hesitated before the enormous risk of an operation and decided to try Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills first.

The result was that she was perfectly cured three years ago, and feels now that she can report the cure as thorough and lasting. This is not an isolated case, but proves that this great medicine cures when ordinary prescriptions fail.

Mrs. Annie Watkins, Glacie Bay, New Harbor, N. S., writes: "I think it is time for me to give my experience with your wonderful Kidney-Liver Pills. For seven months I suffered with what the doctor called indigestion; but whatever it was, I suffered terribly. The pain would start under my left shoulder and pass down my side until it reached the pit of my stomach. It just seemed as if the flesh were being torn from the bone. At times I used to go without food from one morning until the next. I had no energy left for work at all. At last our doctor sent me to the hospital for a month. For four days and nights I never broke my fast except for a drink of water. After four weeks' treatment there I returned home, and was back only four days when the pain came back worse than ever. Then I was told I would have to undergo an operation, but I would not consent to that. At last I read about Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills and started to take them. At first I did not notice much difference, but still I kept on using them, and by the time four boxes were used I was perfectly well again. That was in 1914, so you see I can safely say that I was cured. I shall always be grateful to Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills, as they did more for me than four doctors." Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills, one pill a dose, 25 cents a box, all dealers or Edmondson, Bates & Co., Limited, Toronto. Refuse substitutes, for they only disappoint.

points out, however, that notwithstanding the above a "private dwelling house" shall include also a suite of rooms in an apartment block. That is to say, where an apartment block has been specially constructed for residential purposes and in compliance with city regulations the presence even of a store built in and so designated and used with the apartment building would not class the block itself in the category of a general commercial block. The one is ostensibly a business block and the other the residential edifice. Liquor in the former, save in the possession of the professional man so permitted, would constitute an infraction of the law. In the case of the latter the private individual may still worship at the shrine of John Barleycorn without let or hindrance.

Celestial Interpretation. The Chinaman's interpretation of a "private dwelling house" has been submitted to Commissioner Findlay by a representative of the Oriental community here. He classes the term under three heads as follows:

The only place where liquor may be stored and consumed is in dwelling houses. There are three kinds of dwelling houses recognized by the Prohibition Act:

1. The ordinary dwelling house, with grounds round it, kitchen, etc.

2. A suite of rooms known as "a flat" where there is a kitchen, and where there is no door communicating with other flats in the same block of buildings, and where the entrance door leads into a hall or passage which leads direct to the street, without passing through any store or shop.

3. A room or tenement which must have no communication with any room adjoining it, and where its entrance door leads into a passage which leads direct into the street, and not through any shop or store. In order to have a room recognized as a dwelling house within the meaning of the Act, the room must have a cooking stove and all the accessories showing that the occupant cooks and has his meals there, as well as sleeps there.

Chinese Explanations.

A dwelling house may have not more than three lodgers, besides the family living in it. In this way a room may also have four persons, provided one man is the tenant and the other three are his lodgers, but they must cook and eat their meals there as well as sleep there. If there is more than the

family and three lodgers, then it becomes a hotel, and liquor then cannot be stored there.

The Chinese working man comes generally under the third class of dwelling houses, but every room must have cooking arrangements and all the accessories showing that cooking of meals takes place there. A kitchen in a floor, used in common by all the lodgers, if more than four persons, will be classed as a hotel.

It is important for the Chinese working man to understand that a stairway leading from the rooms up stairs through a shop or store into the street is not recognized as a dwelling house even if all the other conditions are complied with. If, therefore, any store has rooms upstairs, let to roomers, but where the stairs lead through the shop, then they must partition the stairs off so that it leads direct into the street. Also if there is any door which leads from one room into another, that door must be boarded up, the mere shutting or locking or barring of the door will not do.

Drink Hot Water With Meals To Stop Stomach Disorders

A Physician's Advice.

Thousands of unfortunate people suffer almost daily from dyspepsia, indigestion, fermentation, sour acid stomach, flatulence, gases or distress after eating. If they would only form the agreeable habit of slowly drinking with each meal a glassful of hot water containing a half-teaspoonful of pure bisulphated magnesia they would soon find their stomach so strengthened and improved that they would eat the richest and most satisfying meals without the least symptom of indigestion.

Nearly all so-called digestive troubles are caused by an excess of acid and an insufficient blood supply in the stomach causing the food to ferment and sour before digestion can take place. A glass of hot water will draw the blood to the stomach and the bisulphated magnesia will neutralize the stomach acids and make the food contents bland and sweet. Easy natural digestion without distress of any kind is the result. Bisulphated Magnesia is not a laxative, is harmless, pleasant and easy to take and can be obtained from any local druggist. Do not confuse Bisulphated Magnesia with other forms of magnesia—milk, citrate, etc., but get it in the pure bisulphated form (powder or tablets) especially prepared for this purpose.

One man's success is often due to the failure of another.

OWNER'S RESPONSIBILITY

Point of Law in Connection With Prohibition Act Comes Up in the City Court.

An interesting point in connection with the Prohibition Act came before Magistrate Jay in the City Police Court yesterday afternoon, when Joe Gar Chow, a Chinese grocer with place of business at 1802 Government Street, was charged with an offence.

The police had seized a case of Chinese lemon wine in the basement of the premises. The top being off the case disclosed a number of bottles to view.

For the defence it was contended that the man knew nothing of the existence of the liquor, had disposed of his personal stock before the act came into operation, and that the basement was often used by Chinamen to store articles to be shipped. It had formerly been rented, but not at the present time.

R. C. Lowe argued there must accompany the possession knowledge of its existence by the occupant, and that was not the case in this instance, the wrappings round the bottles showing they had not been disturbed for a considerable time.

The Magistrate will announce his judgment to-morrow morning.

Apparatus for winding clocks with air pressure obtained when doors are opened and closed has been invented by a Frenchman.

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7.30 p.m.—"The Lake of Fire."

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HOCKEY ACTIVITIES

CLAIM ATTENTION ON THE MAINLAND CARDS

Moose Johnson and Charlie Tobin in Action in Portland To-night

Spokane evidently intend taking a lively interest in hockey this season. President Frank Patrick, of the P. C. H. A., has received word from Spokane advising him that there would be a representative in attendance at the session of coast magnates in Seattle next Tuesday and that it was altogether likely that the Inland Empire would be a contender in this season's championship derby. Portland, Vancouver and Seattle will also have delegates on hand. The meeting is being held for the purpose of discussing plans for the coming season. Unless the Spokane management suffers a change of heart within the next few days the Canucks will again be in the running, giving the Coast League the same four-club circuit as last year. Already the coast club owners are lining up players and it is expected that the majority of players who performed out this way last year will again figure on the lineups of the clubs.

The annual meeting of the Commercial Hockey League, of Vancouver, is to be held on Thursday, November 1, at the Hotel Vancouver. President Henry Claman will issue a call this week and is extending an invitation to all clubs to send delegates. It is expected that at least five clubs will compete in the amateur series this season.

The hockey season of 1917-18 will be officially ushered in to-night in Portland when "Moose" Johnson and Charlie Tobin will pilot rival teams in an exhibition fixture. The majority of the members of last season's Portland team will appear in the lineups.

As an evidence of the popularity of the great winter sport, about 1,100 were in attendance at the opening of the Vancouver Arena Rink. The management had everything in readiness and a band rendered a dozen selections during the evening. The ice was in good shape at the beginning but gradually became very sloppy, and this can be vouched for by a few who had the misfortune to lose their equilibrium during the proceedings. The opening of the rink was one of the most successful in its history and the crowd in attendance showed that skating was still very popular in the Terminal City. Monday and Friday evenings will be reserved for hockey and Tuesday will be for beginners as last season. There will be public skating on Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday.

It is not yet decided when the hockey season will commence but it is expected that the teams will be getting down to practice in the very near future, with the first matches set for early in December.

RUSS HALL WOULD LIKE TO FORGET ONE LITTLE PLAY

Russ Hall, owner of the Tacoma Northwest League franchise and one time Seattle favorite, is one of the greatest winners of years in baseball. Marv Russ can sit all day and tell of one funny or famous incident of baseball after another, but there is one story he never tells and that is the time he made possible a triple play unassisted.

The Seattle team, then in the Pacific Coast League, was playing in Portland. There were several veterans on the club, at least three of whom were getting right portly.

There was one of these portly portly gentlemen and he was at the time perched on second base by virtue of a base on balls and a single by one of the other portly gentlemen, one Kemmer, who played first base.

Johnny Kane was at bat and he slammed one a mile a minute over second base. Marv Russ and his John Kemmer took one fleet glance at that flying ball and started running. And when they started running it took considerable mental and physical effort to stop them.

Larry Schatz, captain and second baseman of the Portland club, made a one handed catch of Johnny's line drive. His next step carried him onto second base catching out Hall and it was a matter of little effort to reach big Kemmer before he could get under full speed astern.

No, this is one of the incidents in Marv Russ' baseball life which he would like to forget.

Who wouldn't?

ARE ALL IN UNIFORM.

Boston, Oct. 26.—Varsity and freshmen hockey teams will be eliminated from the Harvard athletic schedule this year, according to an announcement made by Frederic W. Moore, graduate treasurer of the University Athletic Committee. The treasurer added that not even an informal team would be organized.

"The undergraduate body is too much occupied with war," is the reason given by Mr. Moore for abolishing the sport. Not a single hockey letter man remains at Harvard.

SIGNS MANAGER

New York, Oct. 26.—President Jacob Ruppert, of the New York American League team announced yesterday he had signed Miller Huggins, manager of the St. Louis team, to manage the Yankees under a two-year contract.

To-Morrow's Programme For Sport Enthusiasts

LEAGUE SOCCER

Rovers versus C. A. M. C., at Beacon Hill. Referee, A. Lockley.

Navy versus Victoria Wests, at Canteen Grounds. Referee, Sergt. Major Jones.

Garrison versus E. M. C. H., at Work Point. Referee, Wellesley.

FRIENDLY SOCCER

Otranto versus V. I. A. A., at Royal Athletic Park.

BASKETBALL

C. A. M. C. versus Young Men of Y. M. C. A., at Y. M. C. A. gymnasium.

SOCCER FOOTBALL IS STRONG IN THE SOUTH

Many Clubs Are Participating in Popular Cup Competitions, in States

New York, Oct. 26.—Soccer football is now in full swing throughout the States, and the recent drawings for the two leading cup competitions—the National Challenge Cup and the American Association Cup—enable all the clubs to further increase their schedule of games. Fifty-four clubs from all parts of America have entered for the National trophy, which compares with eighty-two who battled for the cup last year, the falling off in numbers being due to several clubs having disbanded owing to the war, their players having enlisted or come under the conscription draft. Many surprising results are expected when the first round will be decided on November 4, the holders of the cup, Fall River Rovers, being called upon to tackle New Bedford Celtics on the latter's ground. The complete draw resulted as follows:

New York and New Jersey district—New York v. Clan Macduffs; Fulton A. C. v. Alby Boys; Chan Macdonald v. La Sultana; Jersey A. C. v. West Hudsons; Babcock & Wilcox v. Scottish Americans; White Rose v. I. R. T. Strollers. Paterson F. C. and Kinley F. C. drew byes.

Northern Massachusetts—Fisk Red Top v. Fore River F. C.; Lynn Hibernians and Lawrence F. C. drew byes.

Southern New England—New Bedford Celtics v. Fall River Rovers; Greystone A. C. F. C. v. Lonsdale F. C.; Crompton F. C. v. Pan-Americans; New Bedford v. J. & P. Coats.

Northwestern New York—Kodak Park F. C. v. Rochester Celtics.

Connecticut—Bridgeport City v. Bridgeport Rovers.

Chicago—Ericklayers and Masons v. Harvey F. C.; Bohemian-Americans, Joliet Steel Co. and Scottish-American F. C. drew byes.

Eastern Pennsylvania—Dinston A. A. F. C. v. Wanderers F. C.; Veteran A. A. Puritan F. C. and Bethlehem Steel Co. drew byes.

Ohio District—Akron F. C. v. Thistle F. C.; Cleveland F. C. v. White Aste F. C.; Firestone Non-Skid v. Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co.

Detroit—Rising Star F. C. v. Corinthian F. C.; Roses F. C. v. Ericklayers F. C.

Western Pennsylvania—Castle Shannon F. C. v. McKeesport F. C.; Beadling F. C. v. Homestead Steel Works.

The American Football Association Cup competition attracted entries from twenty-nine clubs, against thirty-seven last season, and the first round to be played off on October 27 and 28 will provide plenty of exciting sport.

The holders—Bethlehem Steel Co.—are also drawn away, having to oppose the Veterans at Philadelphia. The complete draw resulted as follows:

New York, New Jersey and Connecticut District—Babcock & Wilcox v. West New York Blue; Alby Boys v. West Hudsons; Chan Macdonald v. La Sultana; Jersey A. C. v. Pan-Americans; New Bedford v. J. & P. Coats; Crompton F. C. v. Greystone A. C. F. C.; New Bedford Celtics v. Fall River Rovers. J. & P. Coats drew a bye.

Northern Massachusetts—Fisk Red Top v. Fore River F. C.

EXPERTS TO PLAY.

The 2,000-point 182 balk line billiard match between Welker Cochran, of Chicago, and Leonard Howison, of Canada, will take place in New York November 12 to 16. The match is to be for \$250 a side and the gate receipts. Five contests of 400 points will be played.

JOINS U. S. ARMY.

"Spook" Carpenter, Sacramento boy who tried out with Salt Lake at the start of the season and finished in the Northwestern League, is now in trim for a battle for Uncle Sam, having enlisted in the United States Marine Corps.

TEAMS THAT WILL PLAY TO-MORROW'S CONTESTS

Soccer

Victoria Wests — R. Peden;

Whyte, Copas; Allen, McKinnon;

McLeod; Thomas, Petticrew, J. Peden, Cummins, Sherratt.

Navy—Jasper; Rutter, Cronin;

Lacey, Jenkins, Bone; Rows, Linton, Hillier, Davis, Cozier.

Garrison—Carr-Hilton; Lought-

land, Pickett; Frankish, Lynn, Lee;

Buxton, Whyte, Gale, Mercer; Vinor;

C. A. M. C.—Okon; Farrington,

Bentley; Williamson, Harwood,

Duncan, Grant, Watson, Thom-

son, Bramley, Robertson.

V. I. A. A.—Devereau; Boyd,

Davies; Girchen, Aleock, Davies;

Winsby, McArthur, Carroll, Thomp-

son, Hay.

E. M. C. H.—Welsh; Peterson,

Another; Joplin, Pitts, Moncur;

Tipper, Forsythe, Bowers, Menzies,

Harrison. Reserves, Walsh and

Turner.

Basketball

Young Men of Y. M. C. A.—Mc-

Kinnon, Blidake, Nute, McKinnon,

Jones.

C. A. M. C. from the following—

Harwood, Loughton Grant, Stevens,

Grant, Hunter.

SAN FRANCISCO WAS TAKEN IN BY OAKS IN YESTERDAY'S GO

Oakland, Oct. 26.—The Seals went a fraction of a game behind the Angels in the pennant race by losing to the Oaks by one run in the tenth inning. Menzies, who ran for Mize, scored on Murphy's hit to centre.

The Angels, by winning their game, thereby forged even with the San Francisco club.

San Francisco..... 9 2 0
Oakland..... 1 7 2

Batteries—Johnson and Baldwin; Martin and Mize.

Angels Win.

Los Angeles, Oct. 26.—After battling on even terms for seven innings, Gardner suddenly grew wild in the eighth and hit three batters, which, with a hit, gave Los Angeles two runs and the game.

Yesterday's victory marked Hogg's fourth consecutive win.

Portland..... 1 6 6
Los Angeles..... 3 6 2

Batteries—Gardner and Baldwin; Hogg and Bassler.

Vernon Loses Again.

Salt Lake City, Oct. 26.—The record for the shortest game of the Coast League season was established here when Vernon and Salt Lake City played the eight and one-half innings in one hour and one minute. Salt Lake City won the game after Vernon had scored six runs.

Bunched hits, together with an error, enabled Salt Lake City to win.

Vernon..... 6 17 1
Salt Lake City..... 7 15 4

Batteries—Mitchell and Casey; Kirmeyer and Byler.

CAPTAINS TEAM



"MOOSE" JOHNSON

Who will figure as captain of one of the ice teams playing in Portland to-night.

Norwich Consistory Court has granted a faculty authorizing the melting down of the communion plate at Lound Church, Suffolk, in order to make a new set.

HOCKEY STAR



CHARLIE TOBIN

Who Will Oppose "Moose" Johnson in the exhibition ice hockey fixture of the Portland programme to-night.

WITH THE BOXERS

Seattle, Oct. 25.—Harry Anderson made a great comeback in his fight against Lloyd Madden at the Moose smoker, and was awarded the decision by Referee Adolph Schacht. These boys met several months ago, and Madden was then given the verdict. Anderson never fought better in his life, and clearly outboxed his opponent. Madden staged his usual final round rally, but Harry held him even.

Fighting Joe Coughlin, of San Francisco, held Val Sontag, the former Seattle Athletic Club star, to a draw after four lively rounds.

Benny Lopez boxed a draw with Frank Pete.

Steve Reynolds and Joe Swain tapped each other for two rounds, and after the contest if they did any more "roommate" stuff, they gave the fans some real action, and Reynolds administered the knockout punch to the Bellingham butcher boy in the fourth round.

In the curtain-raiser Young Hammond was too clever for Young Ritchie and the bout was stopped in the opening round.

Tacoma, Oct. 26.—The first public army smoker, with the entire card made up of Camp Lewis crack boxers, will be staged here to-night, under the auspices of the Three Hundred and Sixty-first Infantry. The Three Hundred and Sixty-first is composed entirely of Seattle, Tacoma and Western Washington boys, and a number of the contestants are well-known to fight fans.

Eight bouts, one a burlesque exhibition between "Kid Tacoma" and "Batling Seattle," will be offered the local fans.

Earl Conner, of Tacoma, and Frankie Sanders, of Seattle, both prominent featherweights of the Northwestern ranks, will be seen in the main events.

The following is to-night's programme at the Seattle Elk's smoker:

Frankie Tucker vs. Chet Neff, 130 pounds.

Joe Gorman vs. Joe Hill, 125 pounds.

Joe Asavado vs. Frank Pete, 125 pounds.

Dick Crouch vs. Frank Meves, 108 pounds.

Ell Caston vs. Beale Manning, 105 pounds.

GRIDIRON PLAYERS NOW IN THE FORCES

New York, Oct. 26.—War is not playing such havoc with football after all. It is true that many stars of the gridiron world have been lost to the college teams which claimed their services a year ago, but these men have not been lost to the game. They have been distributed around on various all-star combinations. At the army camps and naval stations not only are being formed. As the war has drained heavily on the matter which has furnished football stars of recent years, these same stars now have the opportunity to play again, though out of college. The Who's Who of football for some years past may be found in the line-ups of various teams now representing some army camp or naval school, instead of the big universities.

NEW TENNIS GAME.

Tennis in a new and complex garb was the feature of the tournament for the United States National Lawn Tennis Association. Shuffle doubles was invented not long ago, but now there has been added to the repertoire of the game a progressive shuffle mixed doubles which is founded on the progressive principle as applied to cards. Five games are played in each match, the winners on the first court advancing to the second court and pairing with the losers. This innovation proved attractive to the twenty-two participants, even though it did not provide a real test of skill.

OCTOBER EVENTS IN PUGILISTIC ANNALS

In the early days of American pugilism a majority of the battle gladiators were Irish by birth or parentage, and, although their supremacy has been threatened, the Hibernians still take the lead in the fighting game. Two of the greatest of these scrappy Irishmen were John Morrissey and John Heenan, who fought for the championship of America at Long Point Island, Canada, 59 years ago, October 26, 1858. The two Johns were fellow townsmen, for both had been reared in Troy, N. Y., which at another and later period turned out the Irish-American champion, Paddy Ryan. The battle between Morrissey and Heenan was pulled off on Canadian soil because of the peevishness of the New York state authorities and was for \$5,000 and the title. It was a fierce but brief combat, and Morrissey became champion in 21 minutes. In the early rounds Heenan had the shade, but he put one of his hands out of commission by striking a post, and after that he was at Morrissey's mercy. Morrissey rushed Heenan and wore him down, and by his triumph became the recognized champion of America. Heenan asserted, not without reason, that the injury to his fist was responsible for his failure and challenged his old foe to another fight. Morrissey refused, and soon retired from the ring, and John Heenan was recognized as champion. Heenan challenged Sayers to fight for the championship of the world and in 1890 they fought in England. The result was indecisive, owing to a ringside row, but Heenan had the best of the English champion. Later he fought Tom King, who defeated him.

Three Brothers in Ring.

In October, 1839, Nick Ward won from Jim Bailey on a foul in England. Nick Ward was a younger brother of Jim Ward, the ex-champion, and of John Ward, also famous in the ring.

The three brothers were among the greatest fighters of the period, and Nick might have gained championship honors except for a "yellow streak" which made him quit when his opponents got in a few hard kicks. He won several battles by clever tactics, goading his opponents into striking foul blows, and he used this method with Jim Bailey and later with Ben Gaunt.

In a second meeting with Gaunt, for the championship of England, Ben refused to fall for Nick's scheme, and when the latter realized that it was up to him to fight he laid down. Old Jim Ward, on that occasion, publicly denounced his brother as a coward and a "disgrace to the family."

Nick continued to figure in sporting circles for some time, and was chief second to Bendigo when the latter won the title from Ben Gaunt.

Some very curious superstitions prevail in parts of Cumberland and Westmorland in regard to babies. When an infant is taken to a house other than its birthplace, it is the orthodox thing on the first visit for the hostess to present the infant with silver, salt, and an egg—the various gifts no doubt representing wealth, health, and plenty of food. Parents are averse, if several children are brought to the font, to having the girls christened before the boys, for the idea is cherished that if a girl is baptized before a boy she will get the beard, whilst he will grow up smooth-checked.

These notions are harmless enough; others are distinctly insensate. Thus, it is not "lucky" to wash a baby's hands before it is a year old!—Tit-Bits.

TERMINAL CITY PUPPY SHOW WAS BIG AFFAIR

The puppy show staged under the auspices of the Terminal City Kennel Club attracted a large entry list of high-class dogs and was successful in every respect. The attendance was good and competition in all events exceptionally keen. Mrs. Thornton Sharp's dogs attracted favorable comment and carried off a number of prizes. The officials have decided to stage another show at Kerrisdale next month, which will be open to all breeds.

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LAND REGISTRY ACT

(Section 24.)

In the Matter of Part 100 feet by 110 Feet in the Southwesterly corner of Lot 32 of Section 74, Township 10 North, Range 1 East, Victoria City, Map 109.

Proof having been filed of the loss of Certificate of Indefeasible Title No. 800 issued to Harry Fuller on the 10th day of June, 1904, I hereby give notice of my intention, at the expiration of one calendar month from the first publication hereof, to issue to the said Harry Fuller a fresh Certificate of Indefeasible Title in lieu thereof.

Dated at the Land Registry Office, Victoria, B. C., this 11th day of September, 1917.

J. C. GWYNNE,
Registrar-General of Titles.

LAND REGISTRY ACT.

(Section 24.)

In the Matter of Part of Lot 1, of Sub Lot 1, Fernwood Estate, Victoria City, Map 238.

Proof having been filed of the loss of Certificate of Title No. 14022A, issued to Charlotte Baker on the 26th day of May, 1902, I hereby give notice of my intention, at the expiration of one calendar month from the first publication hereof, to issue a fresh Certificate of Title in lieu thereof.

Dated at the Land Registry Office, Victoria, B. C., this 16th day of October, 1917.

J. C. GWYNNE,
Registrar-General of Titles.

SUPERSTITIONS ABOUT BABIES.

Some very curious superstitions prevail in parts of Cumberland and Westmorland in regard to babies. When an infant is taken to a house other than its birthplace, it is the orthodox thing on the first visit for the hostess to present the infant with silver, salt, and an egg—the various gifts no doubt representing wealth, health, and plenty of food. Parents are averse, if several children are brought to the font, to having the girls christened before the boys, for the idea is cherished that if a girl is baptized before a boy she will get the beard, whilst he will grow up smooth-checked.

These notions are harmless enough; others are distinctly insensate. Thus, it is not "lucky" to wash a baby's hands before it is a year old!—Tit-Bits.

MUNICIPAL VOTERS' LIST, 1918

All persons, whether male or female, desiring to qualify as voters at the Municipal Election to be held in January next, either as

(1) Assessed owners of property held under agreement to purchase;

(2) Authorized representatives of corporations;

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NEWS IN BRIEF

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Date Altered.—Owing to its conflicting with the date arranged for the dance of the Ladies' Auxiliary and lecture, Dr. George Byron Gordon's lecture will be delivered at the Empress Hotel on Thursday, November 1.

Judge Gerard's Speech.—The Men's Canadian Club has had copies of Judge James W. Gerard's speech before the club on September 25, printed and placed on sale at the Temple Building and Superfluous Shop, for the benefit of all who wish to avail themselves of the opportunity of reading this interesting address. The Canadian Club has borne the entire expense of publishing the pamphlets and the proceeds from the sale will be devoted to the Red Cross Fund. This is expected to prove a popular undertaking, as considerable interest has been shown by the citizens of Victoria in Judge Gerard's experiences in the enemy country as United States Ambassador to Germany.

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Change in Name.—Notice is given in the current week's B. C. Gazette that William Dunford & Son, Limited, of Victoria, is applying for a change in the firm's name to that of Dunford's, Limited.

Food Regulations.—As a result of an investigation made into the observance or otherwise of the Food regulations in hotels, cafes, etc., it is reported at the police station that on the whole the rules have been respected.

To Amend By-law.—Notice of amendment of the Garage By-law is given by Alderman Fullerton for the next City Council meeting, in order to allow wooden floors to garages in place of concrete.

To Name Aldermen.—At the next meeting of the City Council the Victoria representatives on the Victoria-Saanich Parks and Beaches Committee will be named by resolution. Three aldermen have to be appointed in addition to the Mayor, who is a member ex officio.

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Such was the misfortune of Mr. A. B. Whicker, of Paradise Hill, Sask. Writing to the Zam-Buk Co., he says: "For four years I was a shocking sight—my face was simply covered with pimples and blackheads. Nothing I tried—although I used numerous remedies and blood medicines—had any effect. Finally I heard of Zam-Buk and gave it a trial. By the time I finished the first box I realized I had found a cure. I continued using Zam-Buk until the pimples and blackheads had entirely disappeared and my skin is now perfectly clear and smooth."

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JUDGMENT RESERVED IN ROPER ACTION

Whether Money Was Loan or Gift to Wife Left for Judge's Decision

After completing the hearing of the adjourned trial in the case of Hull and the Royal Trust Company vs. Roper yesterday afternoon, Mr. Justice Morrison reserved judgment. The action was brought to obtain a decision of the court in regard to certain moneys, the point being whether they were to be treated as a loan or a gift to Mrs. Roper. Ianley Crease, R. C., appearing for plaintiffs, with W. H. Bullock-Webster for defendant.

In her evidence Mrs. Roper said that all her investments were submitted to her late husband. He had approved of the purchases, and to enable her to finance them she had mortgaged property she owned at Kamloops. Asked, if there had been any profit to the transactions, what she would have done with the proceeds, she stated that she would have followed exactly her husband's advice. She had never borrowed from her husband. Whenever she wanted money she asked for it, and it had been given. In regard to this transaction she was under the impression he was taking the payments off her hands, and had no idea that she was being charged with any sums.

Possessed Interest. Mr. Lindley Crease said that the trustees were quite impartial, but had other beneficiaries to consider, and claimed that Mrs. Roper's admission that she would have done exactly as her husband advised was evidence that he possessed an interest in the property, a remark which caused Mr. Justice Morrison to suggest that that contention was a matter of temperament, as many women would do as they pleased with any money they got, whether the husband had an interest or not.

It was held by Mr. Bullock-Webster that Mrs. Roper's statement as to the money being a gift was corroborated by the evidence of Mr. Palmer, who had said that he never regarded the payments he was instructed to make as loans. The trustees, he claimed, had viewed the entries in Mr. Palmer's account books as a charge against Mrs. Roper, which, he contended, was an error. As to the \$5,000 under the will, payment of which had been withheld, he said the item was first inserted in the will in 1911, codicils having been added at subsequent dates after the transactions in real estate, and therefore by not revoking the bequest Mr. Roper automatically confirmed it.

INJURED IN ACCIDENT

Lieut.-Col. W. J. H. Holmes, D. S. O., Former Oak Bay Resident, Hurt in France.

Lieut.-Col. W. J. H. Holmes, D. S. O., who, when he last wrote home, was acting as commanding officer of the Canadian Reinforcement Camp Corps in France, has been injured, although not seriously, in an accident, according to a cable received yesterday.

Lieut.-Col. Holmes left the city early in 1915, as commanding officer of the 48th Battalion, which was afterwards reconstituted as the 2nd Canadian Pioneer Corps. After his unit was disbanded, six months ago, Col. Holmes served under Brig.-Gen. J. W. Stewart in connection with railway construction troops.

It appeared from the evidence of Inspector Heatley and Constable Harper that the trunk and boxes containing the wine were concealed under the woodpile. Some evidence, including that of the analyst, was heard, and the case adjourned till to-morrow morning. Mr. Whitaker stated that the two samples showed respectively 84.48 degrees of proof spirit and 54.29 degrees.

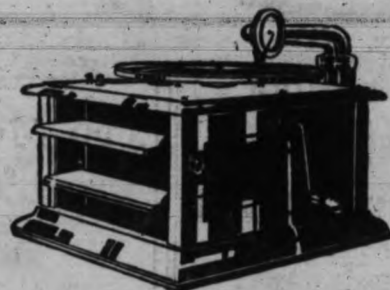
A Delayed Case.

Last evening, following his return to the city, a Chinaman believed to be associated with 551 Pilegard Street was arrested. It was at this address Sgt. Fry, in seeking opium smokers on October 14, found in addition to two sets of smoking paraphernalia, which have since been confiscated, a large quantity of liquor, some 20 cases.

The man was now charged with being in possession, and on the application of J. S. Brandon, who had been instructed just before the court opened, a remand till to-morrow was allowed, bail being extended.

Equimault Police Court.—In the Equimault Police Court yesterday afternoon G. L. Walker was fined \$10 or, in default of payment, five days' imprisonment, for failing to comply with the order of the Council to connect his premises with the sewer. Some time ago Mr. Walker was notified by the Council that his dwelling would have to be connected with the sewer main. He applied for an extension of time which was not granted, whereupon the Municipal body decided to take action.

Proportional Representation.—In the current week's B. C. Gazette the rules and the regulations provided for under section 14 of the "Municipal Proportional Representation Act," passed at the last session of the Legislature, are announced. These rules give full directions for the taking and counting of the vote under the proportional system which will first be applied to municipal elections and may ultimately be made applicable to provincial contests later. The matter has already been drawn to the attention of the Victoria Council.



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Joins R. F. C. Co.—R. H. Fleming, of 1139 Hilda Street, has joined the R. F. C. as a mechanic, and will leave with the party of fifteen new recruits who go from the city to Toronto to-morrow night, en route for duty overseas.

Wants Land Here.—A correspondent of the Victoria and Island Development Association from Penfold, Alta., writes that he and his family have everything but climate and health, and he thinks of coming to the Coast for the winter.

Garden Robberies.—Stealing from the gardens at this time of year has been of annual recurrence, but the situation has been unduly aggravated this season, perhaps as an inevitable sequel to increased production. At any rate it has now been determined to offer a reward for evidence leading to the conviction of persons stealing fruit, vegetables, and flowers.

Dance at Navy Yards.—There is to be a dance on November 1 at the Navy Yards on Thursday, November 1, under the auspices of the R. N. C. V. R. officers, petty officers and men. The affair will be an invitation dance, open only to relatives of men who are in the service at Halifax, on the Atlantic coast, those who have gone overseas or those stationed here. All such relatives wishing to attend the function are asked to apply for cards, which will be supplied by application to the secretary of the dance committee, H.

M. C. Naval Barracks. The proceedings will commence at 8 o'clock, and will go on until midnight. Osard's orchestra will supply the music.

Illustrated Address.—Next Friday evening Mrs. George Armstrong, of White Horse, will give an address in the Empress Hotel ballroom under the auspices of the Robert Burns McKinnon and Lady Douglas chapters of the Daughters of the Empire. The address will be illustrated by a number of beautiful stereoscopic views of the north country.

Provincial Appointments.—Walter Hepburn, moving picture censor, William A. Oswald and John R. Foster, all of Vancouver, are named members of the Board of Examiners under the "Moving Picture Act," in the current week's B. C. Gazette. Lyster Mulvaney, of Burns Lake, County of Cariboo, is appointed a notary public, Charles King, of Greenwood, and Geo. Clark, of Patricia Bay, are named justices of the peace.

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Toils of Prohibition Act May Encompass Trouble to Steamer's Guests

The relations of the waterfront official in connection with the Prohibition Act has raised some discussion during the last few weeks, during the moments when the points of precedence between the various departments have been sufficiently adjusted to warrant conversation.

The hospitality of the skippers of deep sea steamers has been cordially welcome in past years, whether it was to remove the parched feeling in summer or to warm the blood in winter. After weary hours waiting to see something loom up out of the fog, or the trying suspense of the night watches, a visit followed to the ship's quarters where something strong is kept handy.

Now the shadow is not only over the land, but its pall spreads to the margin of the territorial jurisdiction at sea. Doubtings and questionings trouble the thirsty ones who have seen police officers climb aboard the gangways, not that they cared hitherto about policemen after wretched wrongdoers who should be visited with the full weight of the law. Suppose they interfered with the peace and tranquility of the saloon, even took away the liquid contents of the bar for analysis? "Shall I?" or "Shall I not?" muses the uniformed representative of the respective governments, as he confides his doubts and his regrets to his companion.

The Times has thoughtfully put the question up to the legal authorities, and like lawyers' replies, the answer is shrouded in some doubt. No hope is held out for the graceful decanter in the dining saloon, for no one ever claimed the public ship's quarters for a place of residence, therefore, beware of such hospitalities. May be, say the authorities, a glass might be taken in the captain's cabin, as a place of residence and maybe not, because it may not be a domicile within the meaning. Hence, the safe course is the only one.

WIRELESS REPORTS

8 a. m., Oct. 25.

Point Grey—Cloudy; calm; 30.14; 45; sea smooth.

Cape Lazo—Cloudy; calm; 30.16; 45; sea smooth.

Pachena—Overcast; S. E. light; 30.10; 48; light swell.

Estevan—Overcast; N. W.; 29.98; 33; sea smooth.

Alert Bay—Cloudy; calm; 29.96; 48; sea smooth.

Triangle—Overcast; calm; 30.30; 45; sea moderate.

Dead Tree Point—Overcast; S. E. light; 29.92; 39; sea smooth.

Ikeda Bay—Overcast; S. E. light; 29.95; 42; sea smooth.

Prince Rupert—Rain; S. E. light; 29.92; 42; sea smooth. Spoke str Humboldt, 11.25 p. m., Grenville Channel, 8 p. m., northbound.

Noon.

Point Grey—Fog; rain; calm; 30.10; 45; thick seaward.

Cape Lazo—Cloudy; calm; 30.11; 50; sea smooth.

Pachena—Overcast; S. E. light; 30.09; 48; light swell.

Estevan—Misty; rain; calm; 29.89; 45; sea smooth. Spoke str Tees, 10 a. m., at Nootka; spoke str Princess Maquinna, 10.55 a. m., off Adams River Bluff, northbound.

Alert Bay—Rain; S. E.; 29.96; 50; sea smooth.

Triangle—Fog; rain; S. E. light; 29.88; 46; dense seaward. Spoke str Prince George, 10.50 a. m., abeam Alert Bay, 10.15 a. m., northbound; spoke str Alaska, 10.55 a. m., off Adams River Bluff, northbound.

Dead Tree Point—Overcast; N. W. light; 29.97; 43; sea smooth.

Ikeda Bay—Rain; calm; 29.60; 49; sea smooth.

Prince Rupert—Rain; S. E. light; 29.88; 40; sea smooth.

TRANSFERS TO WHARF OFFICE.

Earl S. Breen, who for the past five years has been ticket clerk at the C. P. R. passenger offices, Government Street, has been transferred to the wharf ticket office, succeeding Eric Marshall, now a member of the Canadian military forces.

FOUNDATION COMPLY. MAY BUILD SIX SHIPS

Rumors Afloat That Point Hope Concern Figuring on Other Contracts

NEGOTIATIONS ON FOR RENEWAL OF ITS LEASE

Materialization of Plans of Two Companies Will Give Victoria 16 New Ships

While no official announcement has yet been made by the Foundation Company, Ltd., in connection with its future plans for shipbuilding here, persistent rumors are afloat that this corporation has under consideration the building of six wooden steamers for private interests, the new programme to be put under way immediately the vessels now under construction at the Point Hope yard are out of hand.

Color is lent to the rumor by the fact that the Foundation Company, as announced in The Times yesterday, has made application to the Hon. John Oliver, with a view to securing a two-year lease of the shipbuilding site, to become effective immediately following the expiration of the present lease, which is for one year with the option of renewal from month to month at terms to be arrived at by the interested parties.

Four of the five wooden hulls building for the Imperial Munitions Board at the local Foundation yard, are now in an advanced stage of construction, and another six months or so should see the last of these ships delivered. Whether or not the Foundation Company will secure any more contracts from the Munitions Board, remains to be seen, and this possibility is not unlikely, but the fact remains that it is generally understood that six additional keels will be laid down following the launching of the ships now being built.

Apart from its Canadian operations, the Foundation Company of New York, controls a number of shipyards in the United States, wooden shipyards having recently been opened at Portland and Tacoma.

It has been previously reported in this paper that the Foundation Company has contracts for the construction of forty wooden steamers for the French government, with forty others to be put under way when the first contract is completed, and other contracts optional. The first of these vessels are now under way at the company's yards across the border.

It was officially intimated at the time that there was no reason why some of these contracts might not be handled in Victoria.

PARIS TAKING ON ITS FORMER GAIETY

Gloomy Days Have Passed in French Capital, Says Traveller to Orient

N. S. Kaplan, representative of the Russian Film Corporation, which concerns has large studios at Petrograd and Moscow, passed through here yesterday on his way to Russia via Vladivostok. Mr. Kaplan, who is American born, but a naturalized Frenchman, was in Paris when the Germans were almost within striking distance of the French capital.

A vast change has taken place since the famous Battle of the Marne. The nearest point the Germans are to Paris now, he says, is St. Quentin, and as for the enemy getting any closer, no one in Paris ever dreams of such a remote possibility. Mr. Kaplan says that as far as Paris is concerned no one would believe that a gigantic struggle threatening the existence of the country, is in progress. The cafes and stores are all closed at 8 o'clock at night, and this is the only indication that conditions are unusual.

The war has had one effect on Parisians, that is, to cause them to adopt British methods in their entertainments. Home life in France, he says, is now more like home life in England. Social functions are more numerous than ever and the people are full of optimism.

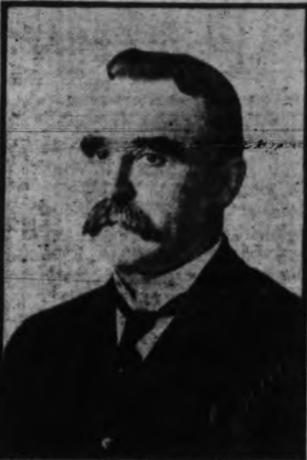
No one in France, says Mr. Kaplan, has any idea as to the duration of the war, but no one would be surprised if the enemy collapsed very suddenly.

THREE SHIFTS A DAY AT ALL SHIPYARDS SAYS SHIPPING BOARD

Washington, Oct. 25.—An organized effort has been launched by the Shipping Board to draw sufficient labor to shipyards of the country to place all plants on a three shifts a day basis to carry out the Government shipping programme.

Estimating that there are now approximately 200,000 or more employees in yards engaged on Government work, the Board believes 200,000 more are needed to insure at least between five and six millions of additional tonnage off the ways by the end of 1918.

LEAVES C. P. R. SERVICE



LINCOLN SMITH.

Who has resigned from the British Columbia Coast Steamship service to become managing director of the local shipchandry firm of Peter McQuade & Sons.

LAST YUKON STEAMER HAD HAZARDOUS RUN

Nasutlin Bucked Ice All the Way to Selkirk; Falcon is Marooned

Dawson, Y. T., Oct. 25.—The steamer Nasutlin, the last boat this year from Dawson, arrived at White Horse safely yesterday with 70 people, including passengers and crews who leave White Horse to-night by special train for Skagway to make connections with a southbound steamer for Vancouver. The Nasutlin bucked the ice all the way to Selkirk in a hazardous run to that point, after which the river was clear.

The launch Falcon, with heavy mail for Dawson, is marooned somewhere between Isaac Creek and Stewart for the last three days. The river is full of heavy ice. If it clears the launch may make Dawson, otherwise the mail will have to come later by sleighs after the river freezes. The first mail for the outside by stages leaves to-morrow and will make White Horse in six weeks.

HARRY WALLACE IS TRANSFERRED TO GREAT FALLS

Harry H. Wallace, city passenger agent for the Great Northern Railway, has been transferred to Great Falls, Mont., where he will take charge of a newly-created position in the freight department of the railroad company. Mr. Wallace has been associated with W. R. Dale, local agent for the Great Northern Railway, since 1912, when he was transferred here from the Seattle office. From 1906 to the early part of 1912 he was ticket agent at the Spokane passenger station. His service with the Great Northern system dates back to 1904, when he entered the St. Paul office.

Mr. Wallace expects to leave Victoria at the beginning of next month to assume charge of his new office at Great Falls.

TRAFFIC EARNINGS OF CANADIAN RAILWAYS

Montreal, Oct. 25.—Traffic earnings of the three principal Canadian railroads for the week ending October 21 aggregated \$5,555,694, against \$4,971,744 for the corresponding week a year ago, an increase of \$593,950, or 11.7 per cent. Each of the three roads showed an increase and the aggregate increase is the largest since the first week in July, when the earnings showed an increase of 13.3 per cent. The total is well up to the high record for a seven-day period this year, nearly \$5,600,195 in the second week of the current month.

SAILING CANCELLED.

Owing to the fact that the boat is required for other purposes, it is announced by the C. P. R. that the sailing scheduled for to-morrow night between this port and Vancouver has been cancelled. The change affects both the one sailing. The 2 p. m. boat will sail as usual and the night service will be resumed at 11.45 p. m. on Sunday.

CLAIMS SUBMARINE PROBLEM IS SOLVED

Idea of Unsinkable Ship Was Conceived by Builder of Prince Rupert Drydock

Vancouver, Oct. 25.—Why should there not be an unsinkable boat as well as a fireproof building? was the problem to which W. T. Donnelly, of New York, has devoted some time and he believes that he has found the solution. Mr. Donnelly, who was the builder of the Prince Rupert drydock and who has been identified with some of the largest shipbuilding plants on the North American continent, is here looking after some of his interests on this coast.

So far as it was possible for human ingenuity and inventive genius to go, he believed that he had at last found an antidote to the German submarine menace in the shape of an unsinkable vessel. The idea occurred to him shortly after the commencement of the war and was passed along to other engineering experts who were so taken up with it that they decided to go ahead and the result is that some time next month the vessel that is believed to be unsinkable will make her maiden trip as such from a port on the Atlantic seaboard for Italy and, in the words of Mr. Donnelly, "she is going to arrive at her destination no matter how many German submarines are waiting for her."

The theory. Mr. Donnelly, who is one of the members of the ship protection committee of the United States Shipping Board, came to the conclusion that some method could be devised by which ships, no matter of what tonnage, could be rendered unsinkable. His theory was that there was a lot of waste space in a ship, even after it was taken up with its cargo, that could be utilized in some way. The fact that ships sank was due to the space that the water was allowed to fill. If it could be so arranged that there would be resistance to the water then the problem would be solved, and this is just what he claims to have done.

Without divulging any of the secrets on which eminent engineers have been working for the past two years, the plan is approximately as follows as described by Mr. Donnelly to-day. Without in any way interfering with the carrying capacity of the vessel, it is proposed to install in the ship that is to be experimented with and which is of 10,000 tons, no less than 10,000 boxes constructed of 7-inch lumber and galvanized iron. The idea was to get something that, while light, would also be strong enough to resist the blow of a torpedo, and after several experiments, this weight of wood along with the galvanized iron was found to be correct for the purpose.

Force Limited. Mr. Donnelly explained that when a torpedo strikes a ship its radius of destruction is twenty-five feet. Were it 100 feet the plan which is to be put into operation would be inadequate. Even though the missile strike the vessel at short range, which in most cases is improbable, the area of destructive power is decidedly limited. Some of the boxes would be destroyed as a natural sequence, but the vacant space in the vessel would not be sufficient to contain enough water to sink her. While she might go down by the head or the stern she would still float, he claims, and the ten-thousand tonner that is to be sent across the Western Ocean is going to put this theory to a severe test.

The plan can be applied to any vessel regardless of size, at a cost which will be, he said, only five per cent. of the value of the ship and cargo, and considering, said Mr. Donnelly, that the rate of insurance for a year is 50 per cent. of the value of the ship and cargo at the present time, he pointed out what an enormous saving might thus be effected in insurance rates.

HALF OF STEAMER DRIVEN ASHORE ONE MAN DROWNED

Rochester, N. Y., Oct. 25.—One-half of the Government steamer Northern Light went ashore in a storm on Lake Ontario yesterday at Point Breeze, north of Albion. The steamer was taken over by the Government for freight service, a short time ago and left Cleveland for Montreal on October 26. In order to take the locks the vessel was divided and had not been rejoined when the cable holding the two parts gave way in a heavy sea. The steamer was manned by 12 men, and all succeeded in swimming ashore except one man, name unknown, who was seized with cramps and drowned.

CAMOSUN REPAIRS

Union Steamer Needs a New Wheel and Tail Shaft.

Examination of the steamer Camosun, after she had been hauled out at the Wallace shipyards, showed that she is in need of a new propeller and a new tail shaft. The wheel was badly stripped and bent by coming into contact with a submerged obstacle at Bella Coola. The Camosun will be unable to resume her regular schedule until November 1.

GRAY DUE TO-MORROW TO UNDERGO SURVEY

The damaged steamer Gray, of the Victoria Whaling Company's fleet, is expected to reach here early to-morrow morning from Ladysmith. She will be immediately hauled out at Esquimalt for survey. She is being accompanied south by the steamer Salvor. The steam whalers William Grant, Orion and Blue reached port this afternoon from the Rose Harbor station.

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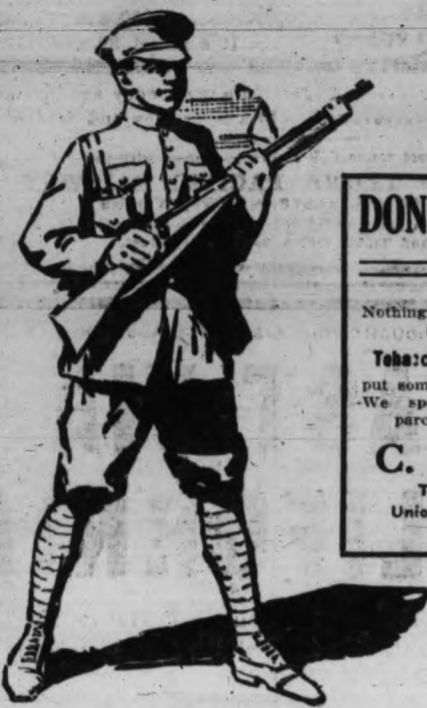
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For Mesopotamia and British East Africa, the mailings should be made without further delay. For Egypt and Salonica, not later than October 20.

For France and Belgium, not later than November 3.

For the troops in England, not later than November 10.

If parcels are mailed not later than these dates delivery by Christmas or a little earlier is assured. Later mailings are liable to be caught in the congestion of the season's traffic and be delayed in consequence.

The public are warned against the placing of matches and solid alcohol in parcels. Any person found doing so is liable to be heavily fined, while the parcels will be sent to the Dead Letter Office.

All parcels should be wrapped up with double wrapping paper, if no other material is available, but a tin box is preferable, as, be-

CHRISTMAS EVE IN THE TRENCHES

Picture to yourself Xmas Eve in the trenches! If there is a respite from the storm of shot and shell, the Victoria boys will doubtless sing some of those haunting melodies of remembrance, similar to:

WHEN THE LIGHTS ARE LOW.

When twilight falls on the dim old walls.

And day is past and done; As we sit and dream in the fading gleam.

Come memories one by one. Old friends known in the years long gone.

In fancy greet us still, And voices dear, that we long to hear.

The silence seem to fill. Chorus:

Just when the day is over, Just when the lights are low, Back to the heart returneth Life's golden long ago.

Far, far away we wander, Watching the firelight gleams, Far, far away from the world's shadows grey.

Into the land of dreams.

But the joys of Xmas Eve in the trenches, for the Victoria boys, will not be confined to memories alone, for there will be gifts galore, packed and tied by loving hands, and symbolizing as nothing else could do, the undying affection of those who appreciate their self-sacrifice.

On this page will be found some timely gift suggestions, with parcel post rates and all the necessary instructions. Remember Ian MacLaren's words: "I suppose that there is nothing in a human life so precious, neither clever words nor famous deeds, as the sacrifices of love."

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sides being strong and durable, it does not weigh so much as a wooden box, and has the additional advantage of better preserving the contents.

Parcels to the western front must not weigh more than seven pounds. If they are the slightest fraction over this amount they will not be accepted. Better make them an ounce or two under. Do not put glass jars in the parcels. The chances are that they will be broken, and all the contents spoiled. Tie each parcel securely. Pack them with care. Postmaster Bishop gives the hint that troweling makes a good material for packing, and is, moreover, very useful to the soldier afterwards.

The rates to Great Britain are: For first pound, 12c, and 12c for each succeeding pound. The weight limit is eleven pounds.

The rate for parcels for France and Flanders, weighing up to three pounds, is 24c, and over three pounds and up to seven pounds, 32c. No parcels over seven pounds accepted.

For Canadian and British troops in the Mediterranean, and also in Mesopotamia, the parcel rates are as follows: 1 lb., 26c; 2 lbs., 52c; 3 lbs., 78c; 4 lbs., \$1.04; 5 lbs., \$1.30; 6 lbs., \$1.56; 7 lbs., \$1.82; 8 lbs., \$2.08; 9 lbs., \$2.34; 10 lbs., \$2.60; 11 lbs., \$2.86.

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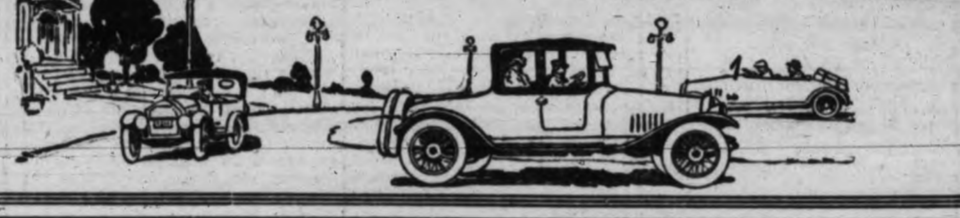
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GAS POISONING

Lieut. Clarence Hewitt is now in Hospital at Boulogne.

A cable has been received by Mrs. Hewitt, 310 Beckley Avenue, saying that her son, Lieut. Clarence Hewitt, R. F. A., has had a severe gas poisoning and is now in No. 14 General Hospital, Boulogne.

Lieut. Hewitt left here as a corporal with a draft from the 5th Regiment, October 9, 1915. He was in France just a year when he was recommended for a commission. After training he was again sent to France with the Royal Field Artillery, and had been there a month only before being gassed. His father is now with the Canadian Railway Corps in France.

Lieut. Hewitt was connected with the 5th Regiment for nearly two years prior to the outbreak of war and was called up for duty in the early days of August, 1914.

He is twenty-three years of age and was born in the city of London, where his father was for many years in the London Fire Brigade, winning three medals for bravery. The family have been in British Columbia for the past eight years. Lieut. Hewitt learning his trade as a carpenter, which he left for the counter. He was engaged at Cum- ings' Outfitting establishment when war broke out.

Always taking a keen and active interest in cricket and football, possessing also considerable merit as a vocal artist, Lieut. Hewitt was extremely popular among his fellows.

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Miss Aileen Aylard, Who Headed List, is Recipient of Prize

LESSONS TO BE LEARNED FROM STUDY OF PAST

The work of presenting their history prizes to the various schools of the city was concluded this afternoon by President John Cochrane and other officers of the Canadian Club, who have had a busy two days making the rounds. In view of the exceptional standing of the South Park School prize-winner, Miss Aileen Aylard, who headed the city examination list in history with 83 marks, special interest attached to the prize-giving at this school, and it must have been an inspiration to speakers and pupils alike to be present on an occasion of such outstanding importance in the history of the institution.

Principal Campbell presided, and remarked with due modesty that this was the second time that South Park School had taken first place in a competition of the kind. Before taking his seat he thanked the Canadian Club for the honor they had done the school by visiting them, also for the interest they had taken in promoting the love of history by offering these annual prizes.

There were present President Cochrane, Secretary Frank Sehl, R. W. Perry and Literary Secretary Kenneth Ferguson, all of the Canadian Club; Trustee Margaret Jenkins, Superintendent Paul, Capt. Ian St. Clair and Mr. Sluggett. Mr. Pollard, instructor of music in the city schools, accompanied the party from school to school and conducted the children through the singing of "O, Canada" and "God Save the King."

Why Study History?

"Why do we study history?" asked President Cochrane, in addressing the children. He answered the question. It was because through history they might learn lessons which would help them to move forward. They could learn from the failures as well as the successes of empires and nations.

Mr. Kenneth Ferguson told the children what the Canadian Club stood for. It was one of their great objects to encourage a love of Canada and to do what they could to further Canada's progress. To-day more than ever before they had the records of splendid men to urge them to great things. It gave them pleasure as a club to be able to do what they could to stimulate interest in Canada and her future, and it was such an opportunity that they had found in the schools. That was why they had offered prizes to the best history students. South Park School was very warmly to be congratulated on having attained through Miss Aileen Aylard the highest marks in the whole city. South Park had also attained the highest average marks in the city, a fact of which they might justly be proud.

Mr. Ferguson explained that he had tried to secure as the prize for South Park school, a copy of the famous picture, "Fathers of Confederation." Up to date, however, they had not been able to do so, but hoped shortly to be able to present this.

Support Teachers.

"I have been struck during the last two days more than ever before by the terrific responsibility which is cast on the teachers of this city who have to mould young Canadian sentiment and direct it along the right channels so that you boys and girls will be able in time to take the places of the men and women who must give way to you," said President Cochrane.

He said that in his mind whatever other retrenchment policies might be carried out the last public servant to be affected should be the teacher. The populace should stand more staunchly by the schools. If economies were to be made in civic administration it should not be in that class of public service which had the shaping of the young Canadian citizen.

Rule of Democracy.

"There is a new era coming, a contest of systems of government is now in progress. The issue is: Shall democracy, the rule of the people; or autocracy, the rule of some self-appointed man, some man who boasts that God Almighty gave him supreme authority, dominate? This is a phase of history that some of you boys and girls will probably see solved, some of you may even come to study the outcome while still at school."

The speaker referred to that great imperialist, the late Cecil Rhodes, who has endowed the Rhodes Scholarship. He explained something of the meaning of that scholarship, and indicated that there in that room there should be ten or a dozen embryo Rhodes scholars, all of whom should have equal chances with any other boy in the Dominion to compete for the coveted prize.

Very briefly he touched on the question of the recently organized Union Government in Canada. Leading men on both sides of politics had agreed to an armistice, they had deliberately chosen to lay aside their differences while the war was on. This, surely was a signal of "a good time coming," when party politics would be less free of corruption, less tainted with dishonesty, more ready for co-operation for the great good of the nation. As boys and girls they must keep aloof a high standard, the sort of standard which the Empire stood for in its fidelity to such a pledge as it made to its ally, Russia, as testified to anew in to-day's an-

nouncement of Lord Robert Cecil's assertion.

Mr. Cochrane delivered the prizes into Miss Aileen Aylard's hands while her schoolmates and the visitors applauded enthusiastically.

Mrs. Jenkins addressing the children remarked on the excellent spirit in which the school had taken the reference by the speakers to their high standing in the school examinations. That was the proper sporting spirit. They must never "crow over" other schools less fortunate in such contests. Anything that was worth doing at all was worth doing well, she reminded them.

"She urged them to remember always what they owed to their teachers. Later in life when they went out into the world to put to practical test the lessons they had learned at school they would realize the value of those precepts which they had imbibed there. Speaking as a trustee she could say that the Victoria School Board had every confidence in the city staff that they were doing their best to bring out and develop the very best that was in the pupils. She closed her remarks with a quotation from Van Dyck:

"Think without confusion, clearly; Love your fellow man most dearly; Act from honest motives, purely; Trust in God most securely."

Principal Paul.

Principal Paul spoke on behalf of South Park School when he thanked the members of the Canadian Club for their prizes. He pointed out that had South Park failed to win the Governor-General's medal through Miss Aileen Aylard it had two other students who still stood higher than students of any other city school; South Park had also gained the Hibben Cup. He told them that history had great value for the student. The lives of the great people of whom they learned therein would stimulate them to deeds themselves. There was no reason why anyone of the boys or girls there should not be a great person at some future time. But more than fame was honesty, bravery, purity of private as well as public life.

R. W. Perry was the last speaker. He reminded them of the great toll of war on the fine manhood of the country. They must each and all try to fit themselves to take the places of the splendid fellows who had given their lives in the cause of liberty and justice. He urged them to play their games honestly and fairly. Any contest won in any other way was a weak and foolish one.

Other Schools.

Kenneth Ferguson was the speaker for the Canadian Club at the Quadra Street School prize-giving. Frank Sehl presiding as chairman. The prize was awarded to Doreen L. Fawcett. This afternoon the North Ward School was visited and the history prize presented by Mr. Cochrane to Andrew Veltch; at 2.30 the Canadian Club representatives reached the George Jay School and presented the prize to Helen Richard.

VICTORIAN'S WEDDING

Ottawa Newspaper Tells of Marriage of Lieut. Matt. Scott, of This City.

The Ottawa Citizen of October 20 says: An extremely pretty wedding ceremony was quietly solemnized on Thursday afternoon at three o'clock in St. Matthew's Church, when Miss Jessie Throop, youngest daughter of A. W. Throop, secretary of the Post Office Department, and Mrs. Throop, became the bride of Lieut. Matthew Henry Scott, M.C., son of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Scott, of Victoria, B.C.

The groom, Rev. George S. Anderson, officiated. The bride, who was accompanied by her father, wore her traveling costume of midnight blue serge, brown fox fur and a velvet toque to match. Her corsage bouquet was composed of orchids and lilies of the valley, and she wore the groom's gift, a diamond and sapphire ring.

The couple were unattended, but during the signing of the register Mrs. J. Evans McCuaig, the bride's sister, and Arthur Throop, a brother, witnessed the signatures. As the couple left the church quantities of carnations and rose leaves were scattered in their path by the friends of the bride. Lieut. and Mrs. Scott have left for their new home in Victoria, B.C.

BELIEVED DROWNED

Government Agent at Nicola Has Failed to Return From a Fishing Excursion.

Information reaching the Minister of Finance late yesterday afternoon indicated that W. N. Rolfe, Provincial Government Agent and Assessor at Nicola had lost his life while on a fishing trip.

So far as can be gathered from the meagre information reaching the Minister it is understood that Mr. Rolfe started on his excursion in a small boat on Saturday last.

His failure to appear on Monday alarmed his friends, with the result that a search party was organized. Discovery of the boat but no trace of the missing man led to the belief that the worst had happened.

PTE. McLEAN WOUNDED

Accidentally Injured in Face and Neck Says Report Received by Parents.

Word has been received by D. H. and Mrs. MacLean of 3119 Cedar Hill Road, that their son Pte. E. B. MacLean has been accidentally wounded in the face and neck. Pte. MacLean left Victoria with the 163rd Battalion on arrival in England was transferred to another infantry unit with which he crossed to France. He is thirty-five years of age and a native of Minnesota, although a resident of this city for some ten years. Prior to enlisting he was engaged in business here as a builder.

Since the war broke out two other brothers have also been in the service. Hugh MacLean went overseas with the 48th Battalion, and although he has been serving for some months has not as yet been wounded. The second in one of the engagements at Vimy Ridge.

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RULING ON LIQUOR

ASKED IN ALBERTA

Question of Shipment Involved in Action Against Dominion Express Co.

Calgary, Oct. 26.—An action has been commenced by Gold Seal Limited, liquor dealers, against the Dominion Express Company, which probably will result in a judicial interpretation of the validity of the provisions of the Alberta Liquor Act, under which it has been assumed that it is illegal to import or export liquor to or from a liquor warehouse in the province. The action is brought to recover damages for the refusal of the express company to accept shipments of liquor for export from Alberta to points in Saskatchewan and elsewhere and also for refusal to receive shipments in British Columbia consigned to the plaintiff company's warehouse in Calgary. A declaration also is asked that the express company is not entitled to refuse to carry the plaintiff's goods. The express company is defending the action on the ground that it is prohibited by the provisions of the liquor measure from carrying these shipments. The reply filed by Gold Seal Limited, is to the effect that insofar as the liquor law prohibits the carrying and delivery of liquor to or from a liquor warehouse in the ordinary course of an inter-provincial business, the liquor measure is ultra vires of the province as being an interference with trade and commerce, which is a matter within the exclusive jurisdiction of the Parliament of Canada.

REALIZES GERMANS.

MUST FALL BACK

Military Critic of Berliner Tageblatt Speaks of Aisne Defeat

Copenhagen, Oct. 26.—The possibility of a German retreat on the Aisne front is mentioned by Lieut.-General von Ardenne, military critic of the Berliner Tageblatt, in discussing the French victory there. He says the attack of the French undoubtedly will be repeated and that although their chances of ultimate success are slight, it is well to remember that the German plan of defence does not forbid voluntary abandonment under proper circumstances of territory not essential to the great tactical plan, so that losses may be reduced. "Even the loss of Laon—although this is in nowise impending—would not alter the strategic situation of the Germans," he writes.

He draws attention to the fact that Laon is 12 kilometres from the battle-front and is protected by new field fortifications which the French will find it difficult to overcome.

BOILERMAKERS HAVE CALLED OFF STRIKE

Vancouver, B.C., Oct. 26.—At a meeting of the boilermakers last night it was decided to call off the strike in the shipyards which has been in force here for several weeks and it is likely that all men will be back at work not later than next Monday. Final arrangements will be completed Sunday. The re-opening of work at the various plants affected will mean the distribution of \$20,000 weekly to 700 men.

2225 REGISTERED.

Vancouver, Oct. 26.—Up to last night 2225 Class One men had registered in Vancouver under the Military Service Act, of whom 1361 are claiming exemption.

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SAW BOMBARDMENT BY AUSTRO-GERMANS

Correspondent of Associated Press in Gorizia as Shells Fell

Army Headquarters in Northern Italy, Oct. 26.—(By the Associated Press.) Under the escort of an officer from headquarters the writer was given an opportunity to see Gorizia under a rain of shells from nearby Austrian batteries and to look out from a castle dominating the city on the vast scene of military operations of which Gorizia is the strategic centre. The visit was made at an opportune moment, just as the Austrians and Germans were inaugurating their heavy offensive from the north in an effort to redeem their recent heavy losses.

A heavy artillery bombardment had initiated the movement, with the Italian batteries responding along a front of 20 miles running across the Bainsizza plateau toward Tolmino. As the writer passed along the road from headquarters shells were falling freely three miles outside Gorizia and there was a steady roar of guns of all calibres from the big 15's to rattling quick-firers. Such an offensive had been anticipated for several days, as information reaching headquarters showed that the enemy was preparing for his supreme move in the north. Austrian forces in the north, where they were no longer required against the inactive Russian armies, had been sent to this front.

For Plateau. At the same time the German General Staff had awakened to the possibilities of the Italian front, and for the first time Brandenburg troops were identified along this nearby front and shells from large-calibre German guns were falling for the first time from the enemy positions on Monte San Gabriele and around Monte Rosso. This, with the fury of the German fire, made it evident that the enemy would seek to regain the vast Bainsizza Plateau, which the Italians recently took with 20,000 prisoners, as the Italian strip on the plateau opened the way for them to sweep over the Carso range back of Trieste and thus threaten the Austrian defence of Trieste. Therefore it was to protect Trieste and force back the Italians to the old line of the Isonzo River that the enemy forces were tripled, picked Brandenburgers, Saxons, Bavarians and others were added to the Austrian forces and the opening stages of the offensive were developed yesterday.

The city of Gorizia was entered by the writer over a bridge which Italian engineers had thrown across the Isonzo. The massive old stone bridge was out of service, with one of its stately arches blown to pieces. The iron railroad bridge farther along had been entirely destroyed by artillery fire. The big paper mills along the river front were a mass of ruins and lines of jagged walls with gaping windows extended for miles along the river.

Scene of Ruin. Entering Gorizia, the city presented an aspect of ruin and desolation, with the crash of falling walls everywhere and then adding to the area of destruction. Within five minutes the correspondent counted five large churches, including the imposing cathedral, which had been reduced to masses of ruins. The roof of the cathedral had fallen in from a succession of shell holes and the high altar could be seen above the tumbling side walls. The chief hotel of the city had been blotted out of existence by two large shells which had levelled the entire structure. What is left of one of the principal buildings is used for an emergency fire department to prevent further destruction.

Going over the top of the castle dominating the city, the correspondent had a splendid view of the vast field of the present operations. Immediately in front was Monte San Michele, held by the Italians, and to the left was Monte San Gabriele, with the Italians on one side and the Austrians still clinging to the top on the other side. The dividing lines between the two forces were clearly discernible from the terrific crashing of guns on both fronts.

The artillery action could be seen dimly, extending over the coveted plateau of Bainsizza and northward to Monte Rosso, where it was later learned, heavy infantry actions followed the artillery preparations.

Correspondent Injured. Observations from the top of the top of the castle were brought to a sudden halt in the midst of the explanations of the officer conducting the tour. He had just led his companions past an observation post to a stone rampart fronting the castle wall. As he spoke there was a deafening roar of a heavy gun followed by the whirr of a big missile headed straight for the rampart. Instinctively everyone recoiled, but it was too late. The big projectile struck not 15 feet away, wrecking the observation post which the party had just left. All went over the edge of the wall and lay stunned under the mountains of mortar, dirt and stone. The projectile had hurled a mass of small stones like bullets, and one of these made a slight gash in the face of a member of the party. After the members of the party had clambered over tons of debris thrown up by the shot, army surgeons dressed the face wound of the injured man and pronounced it merely superficial. Thus the observation of the first stage of the Austro-German offensive was brought to a sudden termination which narrowly bordered on tragedy for well-known British and Italian writers. The visit has shown, however, the desperate character of this initial artillery fire and the momentous nature of the eliminating movements in which Germany comes to aid Austria in over-

coming Italy's decisive success of the year.

On returning to headquarters all the impressions gathered from the observation were confirmed, as information reaching the high command shows this is the opening of the greatest offensive the Austrians and Germans have attempted against Italy.

Italian Cabinet Has Resigned as Result of Vote in Chamber

Rome, Oct. 26.—The resignation of the Cabinet was announced to-day by Premier Boselli.

The resignation is due to the defeat of the Government on a vote of confidence in the Chamber yesterday.

SINN FEINERS NOW PLAN GOVERNMENT

Dublin Conference Told Provisional Body Will Be Set Up

Dublin, Oct. 26.—The Sinn Fein conference at its session here last night decided that the members of the organization should be trained in the use of arms, although this will not be compulsory. The conference was promised that a "Provisional Government of Ireland" would be established without delay. It adopted a provisional constitution aimed at securing the international recognition of Ireland as an independent republic and providing for the calling of a constitutional assembly.

The conference was orderly. The speeches were delivered partly in the Irish language. At to-day's session Professor Edward de Valera, member of Parliament for East Clare, who was referred to in the House of Commons recently as having been indicted for rebellion in Ireland, was elected president of the conference after Count Plunkett and Arthur Griffith, who also were nominated, had withdrawn. In announcing that Professor de Valera had been elected unanimously, Mr. Griffith said the Sinn Feiners now had at their head a statesman as well as a soldier.

Disension. Disension showed itself in the conference before the first session ended. Shortly after midnight Countess Markievicz denounced Professor John MacNeill, president of the Sinn Fein volunteers, saying he had changed his mind many times and that it would not be safe for Sinn Feiners to trust their lives to such a man.

Mrs. Clarke, widow of Thomas J. Clarke, who was put to death last year for his part in the attempt to set up an Irish republic, spoke in support of the countess and an uproar followed. The chairman supported Professor MacNeill's candidacy for election to the executive committee and after a time the dispute was dropped. The committee will consist of 154 members. Resolutions were passed demanding restitution and reparation from England and urging Irish trade unions to sever relations with the English unions.

FOOD SPECULATION OUSTED IN BRITAIN

Barnes, Member of War Cabinet, Tells of Steps Taken

London, Oct. 26.—Right Hon. G. N. Barnes, a member of the War Cabinet, has issued a statement from the Food Ministry telling of steps taken to meet the food shortage and to limit the profits on food. He points out that all the principal foodstuffs are now under control, namely, bread, flour, meat, potatoes, sugar, milk, butter, cheese, bacon, jam, oatmeal, peas, beans, chocolate and feeding stuffs for livestock. Regarding profits and prices which have been or are being fixed, he mentions every stage of production and distribution of controlled commodities from the stockyard or barnyard to the shop counter.

Mr. Barnes says the speculative middleman has been eliminated and the charges that may be made by the necessary middleman are being defined and regulated by fixing prices of profits.

APPARENTLY GERMANS MUST STILL PUT UP WITH DR. MICHAELIS

Amsterdam, Oct. 26.—Dispatches from Berlin says the German Kaiser does not consider the resignation of Dr. Michaelis as Chancellor necessary, and it is therefore probable that Michaelis will remain in power.

HE SOLD LIQUOR IN EGGSHells TO WOUNDED

Halifax, Oct. 26.—Bayfield Mitchell, an ex-policeman here, has been found guilty and sentenced to three months in jail for selling liquor in eggshells to wounded soldiers who landed here on their return to Canada.

Sooner or later every man bumps into his stone wall.

OUTLINES PURPOSES OF NEW CABINET

Crerar, Minister of Agriculture, Heard by Audience at Winnipeg

Winnipeg, Oct. 26.—Hon. T. A. Crerar, Minister of Agriculture in the new Dominion Government, last night addressed the Women's Non-Partisan League here. Mr. Crerar dealt first with the evils of patronage, saying that every member of the Union Government was determined to do away with the evil. He compared the business method of having an employee and advancing him according to his merits, irrespective of friendship or relationship, with the costly and often corrupt methods of patronage.

The Minister then took up civil service reform, the importance of which he said would be realized when he mentioned that prior to 1914 the civil service of Canada had cost, roughly speaking, \$120,000,000 a year. He then dealt with the need for economical and yet efficient administration. This was especially called for in view of what Canada's debt would be by the time the war had been brought to a successful conclusion. Canada's obligation to pension her gallant soldiers and their dependents adequately would be fulfilled, and in no niggardly manner. To meet this and all other obligations honorably, wise and economical administration would be the duty of the Union Government.

Speaking of the need for conscription of wealth, Mr. Crerar said that profits from business, and especially war profits, would be laid under contribution, and for this purpose he favored the income tax. To this the new Government would give serious and immediate consideration, and he could assure his hearers that profiteering would be ended.

"There has been profiteering in Canada in the nation's food," said the Minister, "but the control now being established by the Food Controller over the packing industry will be extended in other directions, and that without delay."

In conclusion Mr. Crerar dealt with immigration and colonization, stating that the right sort of immigrants would be encouraged so as to increase the population of the country that production might be vastly increased and industries of all kinds greatly developed. This was necessary to enable the country to meet its heavy debts.

He expressed the hope that in all matters the Union Government would be given a fair trial. One thing the people might rest assured of was the determination of the Union Government never to fail the boys at the front.

NEW TOURIST ASSET OF THE NORTHWEST

Tacoma, Oct. 26.—A new tourist and scenic asset in the Northwest was launched in Tacoma yesterday in the organization of the Evergreen National Highway Association. The officers elected were Dr. Ben F. Hill, of Walla Walla, President; D. D. A. Outcalt, of Tacoma, Vice-President, and A. J. Elrod, Pasco, Secretary.

Beginning at Vancouver, B. C., the new highway follows the Pacific Highway to Vancouver, Wash., then it takes the north bank of the Columbia to Pasco, goes through Walla Walla directly to Lewiston, Idaho. The central points reached are Weiser, Boise and Twin Falls on the way to Salt Lake City, where it meets the Lincoln Highway. Going southward it passes through the Grand Canyon of the Colorado and Phoenix to El Paso, Texas.

CORN PRICES RECEDE IN LATE TRADING

(By Burdick Bros. & Brett, Ltd.) Chicago, Oct. 26.—After a further early advance the market experienced some setback after the rapid gains of the last day. Shorts have been the best buyers and their lines are reduced. The short interest has been larger than the trade generally supposed and bulls have given a sharp rally. Exporters at the seaboard said they had been filled up for the time being. A few cars of new corn were received at Indianapolis.

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METAL MARKET

New York, Oct. 26.—Lead firm; spot, \$5.64 1/2; Oct. Nov., \$5.60 1/2; Spelter weak; East St. Louis spot and Oct., 7 1/2; Nov. and Dec., 7 1/2.

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FINANCIAL NEWS

MONTREAL STOCKS

(By Burdick Bros. & Brett, Ltd.) Montreal, Oct. 26.—There was a slight increase in business in to-day's local market with prices as a rule a shade below yesterday's final. Laurentide, Dominion Bridge and Detroit United each lost a point, while the steel issues, outside of Scotia, closed a fraction lower. There was an absence of important market news and would-be traders are awaiting some development of market importance. Stocks are selling at very low prices, some of them below the minimum of over two years ago, but the taxation programme has undergone radical changes since that time. The uncertainties regarding the latter no doubt tend to keep investors out of stocks. Sentiment improved during the last hour's trading today when the Wall Street market showed more strength than at any time during the day.

War Loan bonds were firm on a small turnover.

	High.	Low.	Last.
Ames Holden	12	12	12
Do, pref.	49	49	49
Mac Telephone	120	120	120
Brasserie Trarion	253	253	253
B. C. Fish	27	27	27
C. P. R.	144	144	144
Can. Cement, com.	514	514	514
Do, pref.	514	514	514
Can. Car Fdy. com.	183	183	183
Do, pref.	50	50	50
Can. S. S. com.	40	40	40
Do, pref.	58	58	58
Can. Locomotive	249	249	249
Can. Cottons	443	443	443
Can. Gen. Elec.	102	102	102
Civil Inv. & Ind.	704	704	704
Cons. M. & S.	254	254	254
Detroit United com.	104	104	104
Dom. Bridge	128	128	128
Dom. I. & S.	55	55	55
Dom. Textile	81	81	81
Laurentide Ld.	154	154	154
Laurentide Power	59	59	59
Maple Leaf Milling	99	99	99
Montreal Tram.	27	27	27
Montreal Cotton	14	14	14
MacDonald Co.	91	91	91
N. S. Steel, com.	80	80	80
Do, pref.	106	106	106
Ont. Steel Prods.	30	30	30
Ogitive Milling Co.	140	140	140
Pennam. Ld.	67	67	67
Quebec Railway	153	153	153
Riordon Paper	119	119	119
Shawinigan	96	96	96
Spaulding River Pulp	19	19	19
Do, pref.	50	50	50
Steel of Can.	514	514	514
Do, pref.	81	81	81
Toronto Highway	61	61	61
Twin City Elec.	724	724	724
Winnipeg Elec.	48	48	48
Wayagamag Pulp	50	50	50
Dom. War Loan, old	364	364	364
Dom. War Loan, 1917	15	15	15
Dom. War Loan, 1917	144	144	144
R. B. of Can.	208	208	208

NEW YORK STOCKS

STRONG AT CLOSE

Early Weakness Was Followed by Recovery; Marine Issues Leading

(By Burdick Bros. & Brett, Ltd.) New York, Oct. 26.—General Electric was attacked on the stock market here during the early afternoon and forced down 4 to 5 points. This stock recently has held up well, which fact probably accounts for the attack. The selling was accompanied by rumors of new financing in the near future. The company sold \$15,000,000 notes a few months ago. It that needs any additional funds it is because of the great volume of business it is taking. The amount of the Steel Corporation dividend to be declared next Tuesday is an all important question! The best information in the street seems to be that the directors will declare the usual 11 per cent. quarterly and 5 per cent. extra, but probably a majority expect that the extra will be either trimmed or omitted. The market was strong in the last hour with the marine issues in the lead.

Total sales, \$4,400 shares.

Alp. Elec.	45	45	45
Alp. Pulp	50	50	50
Am. War Loan (old)	362	362	362
Am. War Loan, 1921	35	35	35
Am. W. L. 1921	34	34	34
Do, 1st pref.	298	298	298
Do, 2d Can.	298	298	298
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DAY'S TRADING ON

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Robin Hood or Quaker Oats	25c
Large tube	25c
"Sunmaid" Seeded Raisins	25c
15 oz. packages, 2 for	25c
New Currants	25c
Per pound	25c
English Candied Peel, mixed	35c
Per pound	35c
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TAX DELINQUENCY

SCHEME IS ADOPTED

Council Agrees to Submit Proposal in Form of Private Bill

"He need not pay until the tenth year, and then he won't pay," was Alderman Andros's humorous description of the effort to deal with general tax delinquency by an alleviating agreement for a decennial period, in the favor of the delinquent.

Alderman Sargent was more comforting to his colleagues, when he foresaw that the scheme would gradually remove arrears of taxes from property, and clean up the city.

The Council spent a considerable time discussing the matter, going over the re-draft as re-submitted by the Solicitor.

Mr. Hannington indicated that the scheme would have to be very carefully considered before submission to the Legislature, as it would have to bear careful scrutiny and possible amendment in the Municipal Committee of the House.

Next Tax Sale.

Alderman Peden wanted an adjustment of taxation levies to precede the tax sale of 1918 so that properties which require assistance should not be forced to tax sale.

Alderman Cameron pointed out that that principle introduced the question he had already mentioned, that redress should precede the offer of burdened property at auction.

Alderman Fullerton observed that the city has been very lenient in this matter. The arrears had been growing steadily of late years, and something was needed to straighten out the situation, which he anticipated would follow the adoption of the alleviating agreement principle.

Alderman Andros raised the issue

of leaving arrears of taxes unpaid, while allowing the current year's taxes to take care of the current year henceforth. He would rather have the oldest arrears liquidated.

The Mayor pointed out that the latter principle had been incorporated to provide for future financing, hence the arrangement which would give the privilege also of paying part of the arrears as well to eliminate the debt.

On Instalment Plan.

Alderman Johns would have liked to see the delinquency met in ten annual instalments from 1919 to 1929, as a method of liquidating the obligation.

Alderman Sargent wanted flexibility to provide for payment of the 1918 taxes, because it was quite possible to have the agreement ready in July or August, and yet the Council not have struck the rate, so it would be impossible to let the delinquent know what he owed at that time.

Alderman Andros and Johns believed the better course would be to have an undertaking to pay one year's arrears before entering into the agreement, it being that year which was oldest or farthest back in delinquency.

Effective Sept. 30.

Alderman Fullerton agreed with Alderman Sargent, and said it could be adjusted by throwing back the date of the alleviating agreement, temporarily fixed at September 30.

The Solicitor declared that as legislation would be imperative to make the proposal effective, it might be possible to put the date of the tax sale back until November, or fix the date of the agreement by October 15, the last statutory date of the tax sale now.

A long discussion occurred at this stage, one question being whether the War Relief Act would affect the agreement.

However, the date stood as recommended in the draft, namely September 30.

The rate per cent will be raised from seven to eight per cent on interest due, it was decided.

Spirit of Agreement.

"The whole spirit of this agreement," said Alderman Sargent, "is that the moment the delinquent fails to keep his undertaking, the situation reverts to the statutory penalty of being exactly where he was before."

The alderman pointed out that all delinquents were subject to tax sale, and the scheme was very lenient in its provisions, therefore it was not reasonable to give two years privilege in case of default in future annual payments under the agreement.

A long debate ensued on this penal provision, and eventually the aldermen determined to agree that if in 1918 the taxes were unpaid (they must be paid in 1918 to enjoy the benefit of the agreement) the land would go to auction at the next annual tax sale, viz.: 1920.

Is Adopted.

The agreement went through with few changes from the original agreement. The Solicitor and Inspector of Municipalities will be asked to go farther into the subject in preparation for the Legislative session.

The feature of the scheme is as follows:

1. Holding a tax sale during the last half of 1918 of properties in arrears for 1918 or subsequently, and a tax sale annually thereafter.

2. Giving delinquents the right to enter into an alleviating agreement with the city before September 30, 1918, whereby the property owner, after paying the 1918 taxes, will agree to pay all future taxes and levies not later than December 31 of the year in which they become due and undertaking to pay the city within ten years the full amount of his delinquent taxes with interest at 8 per cent.

The penalty for non-fulfilment of the agreement and continued payment of the future taxes will be that the property will be included at the next annual tax sale.

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Alderman Cameron's Plan to Relieve Local Improvement Delinquents is Discussed

"If we adopt the principle that some relief should be given to those people suffering under local improvement and expropriation by-laws, I think they will be able to carry the balance that is charged against them and pay their general taxes under the alleviating agreement, or under the ordinary conditions of the law. If we can bring some citizens into line under the Mayor's scheme, who will pay interest on their past indebtedness, and pay their delinquencies within ten years, while this would help a great many of our citizens, still we have a condition remaining that the agreement will not remedy. There are lots of people with heavy assessments on streets for which we must do something."

Alderman Cameron made this explanation, in offering a statement to the City Council last evening on his proposal for a Board of Assessors to investigate the hardships of owners on local improvement and expropriation streets. The scheme would give them full power to conduct the examination, and report on the situation.

Details of Scheme.

1. The appointment of a board of three assessors to consider all charges made on each lot under local improvement by-laws on streets to be scheduled.

2. The board to be invested with full power to determine what would be a fair and just charge for the improvement works. In arriving at this estimate no consideration is to be taken of the original estimates of the city engineer and assessor.

3. The reductions decided upon by the board to be a percentage of the charges on each lot, and the amount to be credited to each lot.

4. The balance due after deductions have been credited in ten-year payment by-laws to be divided into twenty yearly instalments, and the time for payment extended ten years, making twenty years from the date of the original assessment by-law.

5. If a present owner has already paid more on a lot than the amount decided upon under this plan he is to have credit for the over-payment.

6. The city to assume and pay out of general revenue the balances between the amount originally assessed against the owners and the amount fixed by the assessor.

Referendum Plan.

Alderman Fullerton wanted a referendum on the subject of both local improvement and general tax scheme at the January election, so that there should be a mandate to the Legislature to support the proposed legislation.

Alderman Cameron was afraid that the agreements would be considered so complicated that referenda would be lost from lack of knowledge, not from other forms of opposition. The question was an important one of principle, which would have to receive careful consideration.

Alderman Peden believed it would be a case of counting heads, they could rely on an affirmative vote from the citizens who were delinquent. Irrespective of knowledge of the proposal, he foresaw difficulties in the choice, responsibility, and remuneration of the assessors.

Alderman Cameron thought they could decide on points of detail later, if only the principle was now established.

Endorsement of the proposal was given by Alderman Walker. As everyone used the streets it would be a shame if the citizens should send some of their members to the wall, when all benefited from local improvements.

Another Proposal.

Alderman Sargent believed that generous contribution from the citizens was due in expropriation charges, which represented land acquired by the city, and in possession for all time.

Improvement work, sometimes of an unduly expensive type, had been undertaken, and he would recommend a division of the cost, so that all permanent underground work should be put on a long term basis, and the surface improvements on the present short term basis.

The Mayor observed that the principle divided itself into several phases. Some could be properly dealt with by application direct to the House, others ought to go to plebiscite. The alleviating agreement was based on a principle which could be carried out, without shifting the burden from one set of shoulders to another. There were a great many expropriation by-laws entitled to redress.

For his part he believed that the scheme, as prepared by a board of assessors, should be in shape before being submitted to the people for endorsement. "It was high time," he remarked, "for us to get down to something definite."

An adjournment of the discussion was taken till Friday evening, November 2.

AGAIN DELAY ACTION ON MILK BY-LAW

Alderman Peden Reminds Colleagues That They Failed to Keep Promise

"If we leave the matter over for a week or two longer, the farmers will have sold their herds, and gone out of the dairying business," Alderman Peden said in City Council last evening, when Alderman Peden pressed consideration of the Milk Regulation By-law.

Twice Alderman Peden rose during the consideration of other business, and urged that at the adjournment of the previous meeting the distinct understanding had been that the Council would put the Milk By-law on as the first subject of consideration. He pointed out that Dr. Price, the Health Officer, had waited all evening in the hope that the Council would keep its promise.

However, the doctor had to go home without making any progress on the measure, as the aldermen rose after nearly three hours' session with the subject untouched.

It was then set over to the next session and as there are two meetings fixed next week, it should be reached at one of the sessions.

Alderman Peden remarked that this tendency to leave the matter over time after time had no justification, if the aldermen had only read the measure as they promised, 30 minutes' consideration would have settled it. The measure was not extreme as the members appeared to think, but was a simple by-law far less stringent than the regulations adopted a year ago, but later upset by the change of Government.

The Solicitor indicated that when the Council came to consider the by-law he had all the new passages marked, as compared with the old by-law, so that there would not be any difficulty in providing for a clear understanding of the matter.

CIVIC RETRENCHMENT

Inspector of Municipalities to Give Address on Financial Conditions.

The Civic Retrenchment Association at their coming meeting next week will take up the question of Civic Finance, which offers a wide scope for discussion. Robert Baird, Inspector of Municipalities for the Province of British Columbia, has kindly consented to give an address upon "The Present Financial Conditions as Existing To-day in the Cities and Municipalities of Our Province."

The organizers of the meeting say the idea is to bring home to the citizens a realization of the serious condition into which the city finances are still drifting.

GETTING OFF EASY.

"Dick, you've told me that story once before."

"What of it? I've told it to some of the fellows five times."

In 1916 there were eleven triplet births in Ireland, and in 1915, fourteen.

Misery in Back, Headache and Pain in Limbs.

Dear Mr. Editor—For more than a year I suffered with misery in the back, dull headache, pain in the limbs, was somewhat constipated and slept poorly at night until I was about ready to collapse. Seeing an account of the wonderful qualities of "Anuric," prepared by Dr. Pierce, of Buffalo, N. Y., I sent for a box, and before using the whole box I felt and still feel improved. My sleep is refreshing, misery reduced, and life is not the drag it was before. I most cheerfully recommend this remedy to sufferers from like ailments.

Yours truly, W. A. ROBERTS.

NOTE: You've all undoubtedly heard of the famous Dr. Pierce and his well-known medicines. Well, this prescription is one that has been successfully used for many years by the physicians and specialists of Dr. Pierce's Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, of Buffalo, N. Y., for kidney complaints, and diseases arising from disorders of the kidneys and bladder, such as backache, weak back, rheumatism, dropsy, congestion of the kidneys, inflammation of the bladder, scalding urine, and urinary troubles.

Up to this time, "Anuric" has not been on sale to the public, but by the persuasion of many patients and the increased demand for this wonderful healing Tablet, Dr. Pierce has finally decided to put it into the drug stores of this country within immediate reach of all sufferers.

I know of one or two leading druggists in town who have managed to procure a supply of "Anuric" for their anxious customers in and around this locality. If not obtainable send one dime by mail to Dr. Pierce for trial package or 50 cents for full treatment.

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Women's All-Wool Hose, at 40c Pair

170 pair of Women's All-Wool Black Cashmere Hose, of English make; sizes 9, 9½ and 10. Only two pairs to be sold to each customer. To-night, pair 40¢

—Hosiery, Main Floor

Regular 85c Silk Crepon at 59c Yard

About 87 yards of Silk Crepon, in shades of sage, brown, grey and purple; 36 inches wide. Regular 85c values. For quick selling to-night, yard 59¢

—Dress Goods, Main Floor

Women's Coats, Regular to \$25.00, To-night \$16.95

12 only, made of Baby Lamb, Plush and Corduroy, in black and colors. Loose and belted styles, with large collars; some are trimmed, others are plain. All lined throughout with good quality Italian cloth. Regular to \$25.00 values. To-night \$16.95

—First Floor

Stamped Boudoir Caps, To-night at 19c

Stamped Boudoir Caps, made of a good quality lawn. These are to be scalloped around the border and worked in simple and easy designs. Shades of pale blue and pink. When made up these are very effective. To-night, each 19¢

—Art Needlework, Main Floor

Regular \$1.50 Cap and Scarf Sets at 98c

These are made of a fine fleeced knit material, in various stripes and plain shades. Scarf is wide and 27 inches long, with fringed ends; cap has turn-down sides with two buttons. Regular \$1.50 values. To-night, set 98¢

—First Floor

Regular \$1.50 English Wool Scarves at 98c

An unusually fine range of these English Wool Scarves, in shades of brown, sage, grey, purple and black, with striped ends of contrasting color. Regular \$1.50 values. To-night 98¢

—Neckwear, Main Floor

Dainty Art Table Centres at 10c Each

82 only of these dainty Blue and White Table Centres. Size 30 x 30 inches. Special to-night at 10¢

—Staples, in Basement

27-Inch Kimona Cloth at 13c Yard

250 yards only of Kimona Wrapperettes. These come in pretty floral and conventional designs, on dark grounds. To-day's value 35c yard. To-night, yard 13¢

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Only a limited quantity of these to go at this price. Filled with good floss forms. Worth almost the price of the whole cushion. The coverings are fine cretonne, chintz and sateen. All finished with a wide frill effect. Good full size. Values to \$1.50. To-night, each 89¢

—Second Floor

Extraordinary Sale of Manufacturers' Sample Hats

LOT 1	LOT 3
Shapes, Values to \$4.00.	Shapes, Values to \$5.00.
Special at \$1.95	Special at \$2.25
The lot includes Velvet Sailors and Chin Chins in shades of brown, black, wine, fawn, navy and various two-tone effects.	
LOT 2	LOT 4
Ready-to-Wears, Values to \$6.50. Special \$2.95	Ready-to-Wears, Values to \$7.50. Special \$3.50
These are made of Velvet, Hatter's Plush and Felt, and trimmed with grosgrain ribbon. Colors, black, moiré, brown, rose, purple, grey, and black and white.	
A choice of Chin Chins and Sailors in small, medium and large shapes. Made of Velvet and Hatter's plush in black, brown, purple, rose and two-tone effects.	
Smart shapes in velvet, Hatter's plush and colored felt trimmed with bands and tassels. Colors, black, green, rose, brown, fawn, purple, blue and grey.	

Exceptional Values in Striped Flannelettes

We offer some exceptional values in Flannelettes. These goods are very scarce and once these values are sold out we cannot replace. The makers are asking more than these prices to-day.

1,500 Yards Striped Flannelettes, in a variety of neat stripes. This is a useful grade for children's wear; 28 ins. wide. Per yard 18¢

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Art Embroidery Class for Children To-morrow Morning 9.30 Till 11.30

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GOT IT FROM HEARSAY.

A group of old ladies were talking and knitting on a veranda. The conversation got around to how much each weighed at birth. One old lady said: "Well, I weighed just three pounds and a half."

The others gasped and one of them asked: "And did you live?"

"They say I did," answered the other woman "and done well."